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AT CHRISTMAS

Let us listen in reverent wonder to the story of the first Christmas in Bethlehem long ago, when humble shepherds and mighty kings knelt together to witness the miracle of His Birth in the manger . . . and choirs of angels sang in the heavens, heralding a new era of hope for all mankind. May the glorious inspiration of that Holy Night when our Saviour was born kindle long-lasting happiness in your heart.

Christmas & New Year's Message to the Residents of St. Albert

On behalf of the Council of the Town of St. Albert, I would like to take the opportunity of wishing each and every citizen a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Special greetings are extended to those citizens who will be prevented from taking an active part in the religious and festive activities in the community due to infirmities or accute illness.

It is customary at this time to outline certain of the factors and policies which will shape the development of our community over the next year.

GENERAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Alberta has an excellent chance of continuing to experience substantial increase in its real gross Provincial product, level of employment and level of investment, while British Columbia, the Maritimes and Central Canada continue to experience worsening economic conditions as the United States economy slides further into the present economic recession. The escalation of the general price level is not expected to show any significant decline until the last quarter of 1975 or early 1976. This implies that inflation will continue to be a significant problem for consumers, business enterprises and municipal government in St. Albert throughout 1975.

It is expected that the demands or residential housing will continue to moderate until at least the middle of the year unless there is some significant changes in Provincial Housing Policy, which re-enforces the steps outlined in the budget speech by the Federal Minister of Finance.

In summary St. Albert should continue to enjoy the general economic prosperity accruing to urban centres located in the only province in Canada which can hope to continue experiencing an investment boom during a general recessionary period. The degree to which real per capita incomes increase in the province will depend on the ability of the Government of Alberta to reach a mutual accord with the Federal Government regarding revenue sharing agreements in the Petroleum Industry. Positive steps have been taken by the Provincial government in this regard.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

The rapid growth of St. Albert during the past four years has created some major deficiencies in the quality and quantity of public facilities and services that are provided in the community. A preliminary five-year capital expenditure profile has been prepared - the first of its kind in the history of the Town. The initial estimates indicate that approximately $22.5 million must be invested in new facilities and equipment over the next three years. It is clear that the council will have to examine a number of new avenues if the gross deficiences created by past policies are to be rectified without imposing a major financial burden on the existing residents.

One step has already been taken in this regard. Under the terms of the agreement signed with Qualico Development Ltd., the financial burden created by the development of new neighbourhoods will have to be absorbed by the developer and the individuals who move into these subdivisions The old policy of transferring the financial burden of new development to existing residents has been curtailed. This implies that under the new policy new development will not be allowed to continue to reduce the level of amenities and facilities enjoyed by existing residents

There is one major problem. A number of developers are operating under the terms of development agreements which were signed prior to the new council's term of office. These developers have the legal right to finish building various stages of certain neighbourhoods under terms which impose a financial hardship on the rest of the community. The council has informed these developers of the steps they can take to eliminate this problem. Unfortunately, as matters presently stand, our requests have to be cast in terms of requests for 'voluntary' contributions.

We are actively examining alternatives that will allow us to rectify this situation, however it is felt that the developers in the community are relatively mature and responsible corporate citizens who will eventually respond to the challenge that has been placed before them. It is anticipated that a number of mutually beneficial discussions will be held between the Developers and the Town over the forthcoming year.

PLANNING

The terms of reference, scheduling of studies, and methodology that will be followed in preparing a general plan for the Town of St. Albert, the first in the community's history, were discussed during a preliminary meeting in the first week in December. This process will be completed in January. An "all-out" effort designed to complete the bulk of the planning work by the end of the year is now underway. Public input and participation is scheduled and will be actively encouraged throughout the life of the study. This plan will be a major instrument for shaping the future course of our community.

PARTICIPATORY GOVERNMENT

During the first few weeks in office, the council approved motions which ensure:

1. That the first 15 minutes of every meeting of the Committee of the Whole and Council are devoted to receiving any comments and queries that individual residents or delegations may care to set before Council;

2. That all rezoning applications are set out before the public for comment before any action is taken by Council.

These two steps reflect the Council's determination to involve the general public as much as possible in the local government decision making process prior to, rather than after, a decision has been made. A number of additional steps such as requesting the televising of council meetings (the contribution made by Capital TV is greatly appreciated), and virtually eliminating "In Camera" meetings are designed to achieve the same objectives. Commencing in January, a Mayor's Column or some reasonable facsimile will be appearing in the Gazette. The purpose of this column will be to briefly outline some of the thinking behind major activities carried out by the council.

It is hoped that by employing the above avenues, that the council will be able to keep the citizens of the community informed of the local government's activities.

In closing I would like to extend my best wishes to all the residents of St. Albert for the coming year. There are some excellent opportunities for developing the community in a manner which re-inforces the strengths we have built in the past, while overcoming certain of the present day weaknesses. It is my belief that if all of us react positively to the challenges that lie before us that 1975 will turn out to be a most rewarding year.

I shall be taking a leave of absence from the university - commencing in January - in order to devote more of my time towards assisting the council in meeting the challenges that are involved in governing the seventh most populated urban area in Alberta.

Mayor Richard Plain.

Dr. D.C. Meiklejohn

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THE OPENING OF HIS PRACTICE
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and

Gynecology

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ANNOUNCEMENT

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Tuesday Evenings -- 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
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MEDICAL CENTRE, ST. MICHAEL STREET
PHONE: 459-8910 -- 459-3451

wins patrol award

Leo Nickerson School has just completed a very successful season. Students and volunteer parents who took part in the mint chocolate sales netted $800 for the school outdoor education fund.

The project to collect Campbell's soup can labels finished on December 14 and the students surpassed their goal by collecting 15,000. For their efforts, the school members will receive a carousel slide projector and several soccer balls.

Thursday is a big day for the school and, in particular, the safety patrol. The Alberta Motor Association have selected the Nickerson patrol for the Safety Patrol of the Month award and the presentation will be made then.

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Town of St. Albert

PUBLIC NOTICE
RE
OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES
Includes Snowmobiles!

The following pertains to the operation of off-highway vehicles within the Limits of the Town of St. Albert:

1. "OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE" means any motorized vehicle designed for cross-country travel and includes

(a) four-wheel drive or low-pressure tire vehicles
(b) motorcycles and related two-wheel vehicles
(c) amphibious machines
(d) snow vehicles
(e) Minibikes.

(See The Off-Highway Vehicle Act R.S.A. 1972 for a more definitive definition.)

2. No person is authorized to operate an off-highway vehicle on a highway within the Town of St. Albert, except

(a) when loading or unloading an off-highway vehicle from or onto a trailer, or
(b) when operated in an approved designated area.

3. No person is authorized to operate of shall be in care and control of either an off-highway vehicle or a motor vehicle on

(a) the frozen surface of the Sturgeon River
(b) any parkland or park ground
(c) any school lands or school grounds
(d) any lands owned by the Town, or
(e) any public place

except that the foregoing shall not apply to persons operating motor vehicles on authorized parking areas on school grounds or designated parks.

4. Penalty provisions include a fine of not less than $50.00 for a first offence up to $250.00 and for a second offence not less than $150.00.

Bylaw No. 15/74 of the Town of St. Albert which regulates the use of off-highway vehicles may be viewed at the Town Hall office during regular office hours. It will be understood that these regulations are designed for the purposes of protection to property and for the convenience of St. Albert citizens.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR.

Town of St. Albert

NOTICE

GARBAGE COLLECTION

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

During the holiday season, the garbage collection schedule will be as follows:

Garbage normally collected on Monday, December 23, will be collected on **Saturday, December 21, 1974.**

Garbage normally collected on Tuesday, December 24, and Wednesday, December 25, will be collected on **Monday, December 23, 1974.**

Garbage normally collected on Thursday, December 26, will be collected on **Tuesday, December 24, 1974.**

Collection for January 1, 1975, will be done on **December 31, 1974.**

No conflict of interest - Throndson tells Council

Coun. Throndson spoke on his own behalf regarding a question of conflict of interest during the regular town council meeting on Monday night. The matter arose from the fact that the councillor had participated in the discussion of two separate motions dealing with payment of a share of the annual supplementary taxes to the school districts, one of which is his employer. Due to the emergent nature of the subject, Mayor Richard Plain entertained a motion to add the matter to the agenda at the beginning of the meeting so that Coun. Throndson could have the opportunity to speak and clarify points relating to the matter.

In a prepared statement, Mr. Throndson explained that he read an article in the Edmonton Journal that gave details of several cases of conflict of interest that had affected elected officials during the past year. "One case dealt with a councillor voting on an issue involving his employer," Mr. Throndson noted.

Coun. Throndson stated that he had discussed and voted on Resolution C-1492 on November 4 (that council approve in principle the payment of the Town of St. Albert of a share of the annual supplementary taxes) and had participated in the discussion of Resolution C-1493 (that for the year 1974 council authorize payment to the school districts an amount equal to what is raised by means of a supplementary assessment and calculated using the applicable school mill rate time the appropriate assessment). Mr. Throndson pointed out that the latter resolution was not voted upon but was tabled by Resolution C-1494.

To the matter of conflicting interests, Mr. Throndson stated, "It never occurred to me during the (Nov. 4) meeting that there was even the remotest possibility of me being in conflict of interest."

"This weekend I have had an opportunity to carefully research the past council minutes," the councillor continued, "and to discuss my actions with many people in the town including my personal legal advisors. I am now firmly convinced that I am not now, nor have I ever been in conflict of interest."

Coun. Wetsch, speaking on the matter, stated that according to the legislation council is faced with a choice in light of the fact that Mr. Throndson does not wish to resign office. "Council may by resolution ask a judge for an order declaring the seat vacant; that action would not allow us to council a judge to determine whether or not there is a conflict of interest." Mr. Wetsch went on to state that what could be done was either investigate the possibility of a conflict of interest or alternatively, leave the matter alone. In conclusion Mr. Wetsch stated that he was of the opinion that Mr. Throndson is entitled to some clarification by the council, though there was some question in his mind if the best time and place was at hand.

Coun. Breadner pointed out that the council had sought legal opinion and is following the advice provided He stated that he was personally convinced he would not choose for the seat to be declared vacant and he felt that there were grounds for not proceeding.

The mayor stated that the information was being placed before council and a decision is to be made which requires further thought. Mayor Plain made the suggestion that the matter could be referred to a future council meeting for that decision. Further speaking on the matter, the mayor stated that the decision could be to leave the matter as it is although it may be that the citizens of the town do not agree with such a decision. "We may find that an individual citizen wish to proceed," the mayor pointed out.

Coun. Lukay moved that the matter be referred to the next meeting of council and the motion was carried 6-0. Coun. Throndson had declared himself to be ineligible to participate in the discussion or voting on the matter.

The Kinette Club's Christmas Hamper Project is in full swing with club members busy wrapping gifts and sorting donations. In the photo (from left to right) are Donna Lauder (project co-chairman), Nomy Hite (project chairman), Nancy Rayburn (committee member) and Beryl Shoults (Kinette Club president). The ladies informed the Gazette that between 55 and 60 hampers will be filled and circulated to local families in need this Christmas.

Town lighting standards must be upgraded says Mayor

"We have got to have the lighting standards upgraded."

That was the comment by Mayor Dick Plain Tuesday concerning some roads in St. Albert which are badly lit and have in some cases been a source of complaint from local residents.

He admitted that some of these roads were pretty black from a pedestrian's point of view but three of them, Gervais Road, Hebert Road and Sturgeon Road are boundary roads anyway and not much used by walkers.

A spokesman for Calgary Power said this week that at the blackest spot, the transfer station for Edmonton Transit System passengers on Gervais Road, two 275 watt mercury vapour lamps were installed a month ago "right at the terminal" so that passengers could make their way easily towards the St. Albert Trail. These lamps are only temporary with overhead wires and wooden posts taking the place of the projected steel posts with underground wiring.

Town Engineer Jan Maandag said Tuesday that Hebert and Sturgeon Roads were boundary roads with no frontage and that there had been few complaints from pedestrians or residents walking in that area. As far as the motorist was concerned he could "use due care with headlights on and should be able to operate in safety," he stated.

However he pointed out that there was more danger at the intersections with Cunningham and Hebert Roads and that the town did not want to prolong the situation of poor road lighting "more than we have to."

A spokesman for Belvedere Developers who have a three year agreement with St. Albert to put in an improved lights system said that "it will get put in ... we have to work it out with council."

Mr. Maandag said that the town was insisting that when improvements to its lighting were made they would not be of the wooden pole and overhead wiring type. "We insist on steel posts and underground wiring." He said the lights were supposed to have been in sometime ago but that there had been some difficulty over the timing of construction.

Mr. Maandag also said that there was a complication when it came to putting down underground wire on Gervais Road. A power feeder goes right along the road and the developer will have to take this into account on the design for the upgraded system. A spokesman for the developer said he did not want to go into this problem and it would have to be worked out with council.

Referring to a design which has been worked out for twon roads a spokesman for Calgary Power said that the town of St. Albert was "costing double davit lights - two way lights - fur use in the medians, poles which we do not use normally." He said that these type of poles had been ordered by "we're looking at a 12 month

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Meeting tonight on teacher smoking

Results of a recent survey on the wheres and whens of staff smoking within School District #6 will be discussed at the regular school board meeting to be held on December 18 at Sir Alexander Mackenzie School. The survey was requested by Trustee Cuts at a recent board meeting, when Superintendent Mr. Elmer Gish presented a minor amendment to the present smoking policy.

Council questioned on industrial plans

Mr. Keith Easson, a resident of the town, questioned members of the town council during the question period Monday night regarding the status of industrial development which was voted heavily in favour of by the citizens of St. Albert in the plebiscite held during the civic election in October. The specific points on which he asked for clarification were; when will there be an industrial area, where is the industrial area going to be, and when is the town going to move ahead with industrial development.

Mayor Plain spoke first on the matter stating that there are areas designated for light industry at the present time. He pointed out that one specific area, about a quarter section, which is suitable for light industrial development faces a problem at this time with providing access to and from the site which will not destroy or impair the residential life style within the surrounding community.

Mr. Plain stated that a matter of a few weeks ago he had had a discussion with the new owners of the property and suggested to them that they get together with other interested parties in the area to bring to the council a plan for light industry. He pointed out that the plan could allow for access or could plan in accordance with existing access so that a move could be made into the area. The mayor stated that the town is constrained by the fact that there is no large area, easily accessible and readily serviced at this time. The subject is germain to the general plan work being undertaken and is a matter of discussion with the MD of Sturgeon.

Coun. Fyfe pointed out that she was very concerned with the matter and felt that little had been done with it since the election. Mrs. Fyfe stated that she felt that in order to facilitate the matter, assistance must be called for from the senior level of government.

A supplementary question asked by Mr. Easson inquired why a motion moved by Coun. Fyfe regarding approaching the provincial government for direction in the matter was defeated. He stated that this was in appearance, a slap in the face of the voters.

Coun. Smith pointed out that the reason she had voted against the motion was that a number of questions face the council and not just this single aspect. She stated that she could see no point in contacting the provincial authorities unless all the homework had been done. Mrs. Smith pointed out that there must be a plan, with facts and figures, or else difficulties can be met at such time as the town is ready to approach the provincial government.

Coun. Breadner stated he would echo what Mrs. Smith had said that that he was against constraints in the development of the General Plan. Coun. Lukay also stated he would echo the comments but a supplementary factor was the matter of water supply. Mr. Lukay pointed out that even with the new water supply line, the needs of the existing development only will be met, as well as development that has already been committed.

Mayor Plain announced that the MD of Sturgeon had removed their objection to the water line crossing the mile of MD land and that tendering can now be sought Pressed by Mr. Easson to state when this town can expect industrial development, Mayor Plain stated that it appears at this time that the matter can be anticipated in the distant future.

Why we give gifts

We give white gifts for the poor and needy ones. Why do we wrap them in white? Well, long ago people would either be rich or poor. And of course the rich had a very Merry Christmas and the poor hardly had a Christmas at all. So the rich began to give their leftovers after Christmas. And they took all of the things and they put it in boxes and they call that boxing day.

And the people began to think they should give it before Christmas so the poor could have a Merry Christmas too. But the rich wrapped their's in very fancy wrapping and sometimes didn't wrap it at all so they could show off what they brought. And the minister's wife said, "I think we should all wrap them in white paper and then label it telling what it is. So everybody did that and the poor had a Merry Christmas too.

By Kathy Anderson, 8 years old. Robert Rundle School. Grade 3.

Notice to Readers

The next issue of the Gazette will be coming out on January 8th, missing the two Wednesdays, Christmas and New Year's days. Parents of paper carriers are asked to remind their boys and girls. All staff will have at least a week's holiday and the office will be open irregular hours only until Thursday, January 2. All of the staff wish to say thank you for the many beautiful cards and to wish you a most happy Holiday Season.

the Gazette *REFLECTS*

CHRISTMAS SOMEWHAT SCHIZOPHRENIC

The Christmas season seems to have gone insane! During this, the holiest season of the year, people are celebrating the redemption of mankind by exchanging gifts and wishing good things for friends. But others are spreading somewhat less than good will.

The Christmas tree is still carefully picked and decorated with loving thoughtfulness but it was stolen from the neighbor's yard late one night. The gay decorations, carefully placed, were stolen during last week's shoplifting spree. Even the star which sits at the very top of the tree, symbol of Christ's coming, was "pinched" from the display on the mall when no one was looking. But this is the season for forgiveness.

The thoughtfully stolen Christmas gifts are spread beneath the tree for all to see. Each gift hand picked by a soul possessed with the goodness of the Season of Seasons. This is the shoplifting season.

Outside, carolers pause before a splendidly lit house to sing the tidings of great joy, announcing the coming of Christ while one of their number liberates a couple of expensive flood lights, an extension cord and a tape deck from the car. Truly this is the season to be jolly.

But with all the unusual goings-on, it is still the season for celebration. Coupled with the celebration are impaired driving charges and the business of law enforcement for the unfortunate policeman who can only pause in his duties to recall that this is the season when God's son was born to redeem man of his sins.

While the radio plays the songs of Christmas, husband makes the New Year's resolution to finalize a divorce, child considers which of his toys he will break first, and the family considers which of their acquaintances will not be on next year's mailing list.

The family sits around the dinner table enjoying a generous turkey dinner while paying little heed to reciting grace to thank God that they have the fortune of at least three meals a day throughout the year. Little attention is given to the countless thousands on earth who do not have sufficient food, clothing or shelter.

How many of us live through Christmases like the one described? The next year should contain an effort to see that there are no more such Christmases.

to the Editor

Efficient Hospital

Through the medium of your "Letters to the Editor" column, I would like to express my appreciation for the excellent care I received in our own local hospital recently.

It becomes difficult to single out particular individuals, as some of the most deserving of praise might be overlooked.

However, I was most highly impressed with the high degree of organizational procedures. This must stem from the Board of Governors through the Administrator and his staff. The medical and surgical staff certainly rate as "tops." The nursing care at all levels was most adequate and reassuring. A compliment to dietary staff, and to the housekeeping staff.

It is my opinion that citizens of St. Albert and surrounding district are most fortunate to have such a highly efficient institution, coupled with such capable people, standing by to look after their health problems.

Might I close by wishing the Compliments of the Season.

Gordon W. Snider,
Grandin Park.

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Christmas should be a happy time for children. Yet for many Christmas is a time of sadness. Perhaps it's because their dreams haven't come true. They feel that maybe Christmas is only for others, not for them. But their dream can come true - for The Salvation Army, through you, can bring a measure of happiness to less fortunate children. So join in the true spirit of Christmas and send a generous donation to The Salvation Army - You'll be glad you did.

Lighting standards

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delay." The spokesman admitted though that there was a chance that these double davit poles could come by next May. He also said that Calgary Power had re-estimated the job and would be approaching town council and the developers. The spokesman stated that Calgary Power already have single davit poles in stock and that this could simplify the matter of permanently lighting the sections of Gervais, Sturgeon and Hebert Roads in question.

Mr. Maandag emphasized that the town was not sure where the delays have come from on the light upgrading project and that for this winter there'll be no major construction under way. But the town he said was insisting that the lights be put in and that arrangements have been made with the developers for capital contributions which would be paid over to Calgary Power.

Until council, the developers and Calgary Power get their heads together, the delay in upgrading the town's lights will continue, even though the weather has not been a contributor to the delay this time around.

800 students gather for concert

Over 800 students gathered December 13 for a Christmas Concert in the Sir George Simpson School.

The concert was televised by Capital Cable TV and was done in co-operation with St. Albert School District's 3 and 6.

The televised version of the concert will be shown on Capital Cable TV, Channel 11, December 19 at 7:30 p.m.

Councillor Rod Throndson emceed the concert.

Eighty-five grade five students from the Albert Lacombe School began the concert with selections from O'Canada, a Huron Carol, Silent Night and Joy to the World.

This was followed with a performance from 350 pupils of the Sir Alexander Mackenzie School, grades one to five, singing Little Donkey, Come With Me to Bethlehem, Merry Christmas, Deck the Halls, A La Nanita Nana and African Noel. Grade one pupils began this part of the concert with a continuous program for 10 minutes.

Then 125 students grades one to six from the Leo Nickerson School sang Tip Toe Elf, O Christmas Tree, O Come All Ye Faithful. This was accompanied by orchestra and the final item was some choral speaking from Grade six pupils with A Letter to Santa Claus.

Next four students from the Lorne Akins School, Bruce Grant, Craig Thomson, Cathy Throndson and Shawna Throndson gave a Christmas puppet show.

Then 100 pupils from Sir George Simpson School Grades 7, 8 and 9 gave a dance interpretation of Jesus Christ Superstar, followed by a choral rendering of Hymn to Joy. The Honor Band then performed Christmas Parade finishing with Overture in Blue.

One hundred and fifty students from the Robert Rundle School - Grades four and five gave selections from a Mexican Carol, Sing a Song of Christmas Time accompanied by maracas and tambourine. Next the pupils sang an old English Carol, Now is Born This Divine Christchild with recorder and drum accompaniment. The selections finished with the carol While Shepherds Watched then a three part bell group playing Tell Us Magi, What Child is This and O Thou Joyful Day, Jingle Bell Rock and It Must be Santa.

Students Kevin Key, Barry Hall, Steve McRory, Dale Collins and Art McCrimmon of the Paul Kane School played in the "Cosmic Muffin Factory" and ended their performance with selections from Deck the Halls.

The concert co-ordinator was John Arnot, principal of the Sir George Simpson School. Other committee organizers were Frank Carnaham, principal of the Leo Nickerson School, Doug Parkinson, assistant principal of Sir Alexander Mackenzie School and Lowell Throndson, principal of Sir Alexander Mackenzie School.

The idea of having a community concert on local cable television was proposed by Mrs. Maureen Billings who is also an employee of Cable TV Ltd.

AROUND TOWN

There are some vacancies in the Power Skating classes and boys or girls interested may register by telephoning **459-6059** up until Monday, December 23.

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GRADE FIVE students from the Leo Nickerson school strike bells and play the flute in a choral and instrumental version of "O Come All Ye Faithful" at the Sir George Simpson school Christmas concert. The concert was televised by Capital Cable TV and was jointly performed by children from St. Albert School Districts #3 and #6. The whole concert will be shown on Channel 11 December 19 - 7:30 p.m.

$1500 worth of goods stolen in town break-in

Fifteen hundred dollars worth of merchandise was stolen from a St. Albert hardware store, December 10th.

RCMP said that entry to the General Industrial Hardware store, 149 St. and 128 Ave., was gained by breaking a window and an overhead door and said that the theft was still under investigation.

Two deep freezers and a snowblower were stolen during the break-in along with tools, circular saws, jig saws, drills, several socket sets, a pair of step ladders, shovels, extension cords and screwdrivers.

And as the Christmas season gets into full swing, RCMP report the rash of Christmas light thefts in St. Albert continues unabated. RCMP are treating the light thefts as pranks but have already located six juveniles and one adult in connection with the thefts. All told RCMP reckon that 150 light bulbs have been stolen from residents' Christmas light displays. The thefts are not restricted to any particular part of town. They have been occurring all over. There were 20 reports of such thefts at the last count RCMP said.

RCMP in St. Albert also reported an attempted break-in at an apartment on Marion Crescent Dec. 15. The person or persons attempting the break-in ripped the screen off the apartment but that was as far as they went.

"Somebody tried her and was scared off," a spokesman for the RCMP commented.

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In 1866 Reverend W. C. Bompas, later to become Bishop of the Diocese of Athabasca, was given a roving commission in the Northwest Territories. In 1870 he travelled more than 4,000 miles by canoe and snowshoe, a distance never previously attempted by anyone in the North in such a short period.

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Man-made islands being used for drilling for oil have the advantage of being safer and cheaper than the alternatives, at least in shallow water. In the Beaufort Sea in the Northwest Territories shallow water extends offshore for miles. Even 25 miles out, the water may be only 60 feet deep.

Ted Stokoe having a 'chat' with one of the 28 Canada Geese he raises and is wintering at Tejo Ranch in Markdale, Ontario, about 100 miles northwest of Toronto. They will serve as breeding stock for the coming spring. Last year Ted and his wife Jo had over 650 visitors to see the flights of geese and ducks coming in to land, including many from all over Canada. An area of the lake about 60 x 100 feet is kept open by four pumps where the birds can keep warm and have plenty to drink. The geese are very tame and will take brown bread from Ted's fingers or lips. Photo is courtesy of the friends in St. Albert, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pugh.

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from the MERCHANTS, PROFESSIONALS & STAFFS of

GRANDIN SHOPPERS' PARK

AROUND TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Tailleur and their daughter Lorette have just returned from a two-week trip to Tahiti. "It was tremendous," says Mrs. Tailleur, "just like visiting a tropical paradise." The Tailleurs told the Gazette during their stay were given the "King's Plate" every night they were there. The "King's Plate" is an ample five-course meal, fare for royalty. Many hours basking in the Tahitian sun have left deep golden tans on each member of the Tailleur family which will be the envy of their friends and neighbours.

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It's not showdown in the NHL but students at Father Jan Junior High School enjoyed taking shots at Barry Richardson in goal for prizes when the special showdown event took place at the school gym this week. Shots cost students 25¢ for three and the proceeds are going towards the purchase of uniforms for the school teams. Barry Richardson, who now teaches at Father Jan, is a former U of A Golden Bear hockey team member. He was also a member of the Canadian National Team member in 1972, the Oilers draft choice in their first year of the WHA and tried out for the Toronto Toros last year. Five students in the Grade 8 section are playing off for the tickets having made two out of three shots. About 50 students signed up for the "showdown." The tickets that they are playing off for are for the Dec. 22 Oiler home game.

Energetic Kinsmen are doing their own labour on their new garage-storage building on town property adjoining the new town garage. The building will be used to store equipment for the Kin minor hockey program, rodeo materials and for other projects. Under an agreement with the town the building is on town property and will eventually be owned by the town, said President Terry Moore, since under the club's national constitution, Kinsmen Clubs do not own property.

The Knights of Columbus

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New Year's Eve Frolic

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Cocktails - 6:30 Dinner and Wine 7:30
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2. Keep it outdoors in water or snow until ready to set up.
3. Saw off at least two inches of the trunk, diagonally.
4. Use a water-reservoir tree holder, and keep it filled.
5. Keep the tree away from drying and heat sources such as radiators, registers and fireplaces.
6. Use only UL or Canadian Standards Assn. approved lights in good repair.
7. Use only fireproof decorations if possible.
8. Do not place electrical toys under tree, except wrapped or in boxes.
9. Secure top of tree with wire or fine string if there are very young children or pets in the home, to avoid tipping.
10. Consider using an artificial flame proof tree.
11. Remove the tree to the outdoors as soon as possible.
12. Never burn a Christmas tree in the fireplace.

The idea of making the Christmas tree flame retardant appeals to all of us, and each year various organizations publicize do-it-yourself treatments. Usually, the solution suggested is the borax/boric acid compound. According to the National Fire Protection Association, this treatment is satisfactory when used for the temporary fire retarding of cellulosic fabrics such as cotton and rayon but it is of little value when used on Christmas trees. The needles of a tree do not soak up the chemical as a fabric does, nor can they be readily coated on all sides.

The only sure method of flame retarding natural trees is to completely immerse them in an Underwriters Laboratories listed tree fire-retardant, and no private individual would be expected to go to such trouble and expense.

The Council therefore suggests the above safety tips should be clipped out and used when needed.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the young people from the St. Albert Creative Nursery and Kindergarten. When the 90 kids from the Creative School were at the Youville Home they had the opportunity to visit patients who were unable to come downstairs to listen to the singing. Each patient was given a handmade Christmas card and seasons greetings. Dave MacDonald, pictured above receiving one of the cards, returned the greeting and seems very pleased with the efforts of the youngsters.

Lee Drama Award production slated for January

A major event on the local theatre scene in January will be Studio Theatre's presentation of **The Injured**, by Vancouver playwright, Tom Grainger, winner of the first annual Lee Drama Award. Grainger is the recipient of a prize of $1,500 and a special grant from the Canada Council to cover his expenses while in Edmonton for rehearsals. Following its premiere at Studio Theatre, the play is scheduled for a European stage premier at the American Theatre Workshop in Frankfurt, next April.

The production is a substantial departure for the University of Alberta's theatre group, in terms of the regular student productions. One of the chief concerns of the administrators of the Lee Drama Award is to secure for its prize winners a standard of production that will do justice to the calibre of the original work. In the case of **The Injured**, this is a particularly important consideration; **The Injured** is an intensely dramatic and highly unusual play, and a major contribution to the Canadian theatre scene. The University's Drama Department has endeavoured to provide the appropriate level of support, aided and assisted by grants from the Clifford E. Lee Foundation and the University of Alberta Alumni fund.

The Injured goes into rehearsal, Monday, Dec. 9, and opens Thursday, Jan. 9, playing nightly (excluding the Sunday) until Saturday, Jan. 18. Tickets will be available from The Bay, Downtown, Londonderry and Southgate, and from the Drama Department, commencing Friday, January 3. For further information call 432-1495.

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Council hears delegation on Senior Citizens Lodge

Ninety students from the St. Albert Creative Nursery and Kindergarten did a fine job singing Christmas Carols for the patients of the Youville Home in St. Albert under the direction of Mrs. A. Opderheyde. The youngsters were at the Youville Home on December 12 and for many of them it was the first time on stage. This did not affect the performance whatsoever and all were in fine voice. Special handmade Christmas cards were distributed to the patients by the kids.

Doctor W. Cuts, Mrs. L. Szuba, president of Senior Citizens and Mr. Tom Flynn, president of Breakfast Lions, approached the town council at their meeting on Monday night to question the members as to what has happened to a proposal for a senior citizens lodge for the Town of St. Albert.

Mrs. Szuba pointed out that a petition had been circulated in February regarding the construction of a senior citizens lodge which was subsequently presented to MLA Ernie Jamison. Mrs. Szuba stated that Mr. Jamison had informed her that all was well as long as land could be found and had stated that he would approach the council to get the land for the lodge.

Mr. Plain informed Mrs. Szuba that he had received the petition shortly after assuming office in October and had turned the matter over to the Administrator, Mr. Byron, to pursue.

Mr. Byron informed the meeting that he was in the midst of the process of research on the matter and had held meetings with the Sturgeon Foundation in this regard. He stated that the Foundation has the jurisdiction over senior citizens' lodges built within the MD of Sturgeon area. Further discussions have been held with the MLA and the matter is being actively pursued, Mr. Byron reported. An interim report will be available in the future and the minister responsible for such matters has been contacted.

Dr. Cuts quoted from an October 30th statement made by the MLA which assured that the lodge would be underway in 1975 and that a site would be considered by the Town Council on Nov. 4. He stated that checking with Mr. Jamison prior the MLA's recent trip to Hong Kong he discovered that expediency was necessary. He noted that nothing had been done as yet and stated that he did not want to see the matter left until after the provincial election. He stated that his reason for wishing this to take place was that he felt that the matter would then wait until the next election after that.

Suggesting that the application be made "pronto," Dr. Cuts proposed that a committee be struck consisting of representatives from local service clubs, the council, and whoever else who could be included along with the senior citizens.

The mayor stated that the matter is in the process of being resolved and input would be called for from the senior citizens as well as the Breakfast Lions. He stated that one could rest assured that both Dr. Cuts and the Breakfast Lions would be called upon for input.

Dr. Cuts suggested that the senior citizens lodge in Sherwood Park could be examined as to the type of structure desired by the senior citizens here.

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Premier sends Christmas message

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I hope as many Albertans as possible will share in the happiness and friendship that is always associated with this time of the year. But we all must remember those among us for whom Christmas can be very lonely and difficult - those people who are separated from their families, or those who suffer from poor health - those who are unable to afford the things that most of us take for granted as part of the festive celebrations. Christmas is a time to pause and examine the world around us and to see how each of us, in our own way, can help to make this world a better place in which to live.

I ask all the citizens of Alberta to join with me in thoughtful prayer for past blessings and for future opportunities which will benefit not only this generation, but generations to come.

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NADINE NEUMANN hands over a cheque for $250 to chairman of the St. Albert Kinettes Nomy Hite from Grade Nine students of the Sir George Simpson School. The students collected the money December 6 - 9 when they literally starved for the weekend surviving only on orange juice. The money will go towards providing Christmas hampers for people in St. Albert whose names have been given to the Kinettes from ministers and welfare agencies.

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When in the market place you toilers of the sea and fields and vineyards meet the weavers and the potters and the gatherers of spices, -

Invoke then the master spirit of the earth, to come into your midst and sanctify the scales and the reckoning that weighs value against value.

And suffer not the barren-handed to take part in your transactions, who would sell their words for your labour.

To such men you should say,

"Come with us to the field, or go with our brothers to the sea and cast your net;

For the land and the sea shall be bountiful to you even as to us."

And if there come the singers and the dancers and the flute players, - buy of their gifts also.

For they too are gatherers of fruit and frankincense, and that which they bring, though fashioned of dreams, is raiment and food for your soul.

And before you leave the market place, see that no one has gone his way with empty hands.

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Kinettes get $250 from student starvathon

Seventeen Grade 9 students studying the problem of world starvation recently raised $250 for the Kinettes Christmas hamper project. Deciding that it was important to know how it felt to be hungry, the students wished to translate study into action. Nadine Neumann, Grade 9 student, came up with the idea of a 48 hour fast, or starvation, with students obtaining financial sponsorship for each hour they went without food. After obtaining parental approval, the students approached Principal John Arnot, who supported the scheme. Teachers volunteered for a supervision rota, and the starvathon was on!

Starting at 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6, students commenced a two-day live-in at the school. Participants were Wendy Baker, Karen Bogaert, Shelley Conlon, Tracee Crooks, Cheryl Culp, Brian Hamman, Mark Leullier, Gordon Maybee, Sharon McDonnel, Nadine Neumann Brian Rowse, Jannie Sietinga Ian Sturges, Gregg Upright, Steven White, Kelly Sedgewick. With only orange juice, T.V. and a stereo for sustenance, all but five of the students completed the starvathon, despite the psychological warfare unleashed by one teacher who cooked bacon and eggs on Saturday morning!

Social Studies Teacher, Lynda James, observed that the experience taught students as much about themselves as it did about hunger, and proved new insights beyond the capabilities of book learning

Consumer Affairs gets convictions

The Honourable Andre Ouellet, Federal Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, released a summary on December 9 of recent prosecutions resulting from his Department's consumer fraud, product safety and weights and measures inspection activities across Canada. In releasing the first such summary in October, Mr. Ouellet expressed his intention of publishing a quarterly report on prosecutions under the authority of the consumer legislation administered by his Department.

"From July to September 1974, our inspections resulted in 29 convictions involving 70 charges under federal legislation. We initiated 23 prosecutions under the various federal Acts and 56 cases are in progress," the Minister noted.

Departmental inspectors, working out of 30 Canadian cities, are responsible for the enforcement of regulations of Acts administered wholly or in part by the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

There are 14 convictions under the Food and Drugs Act, involving Composition, Short Volume, Substitution, labelling and adulteration, with fines from $100 to $1,000. Eight of these were in Ontario, five in Quebec and one in Saskatchewan.

A Canada Safety store in Saskatoon was fined $1,000 for below grade fruit and vegetable under the Canada Agriculture Product Standards Act.

Fourteen convictions came under the Weights and Measures Act, seven in Quebec, three in Ontario, three in B.C., and one in Alberta. An Edmonton firm, Canadian Propane Gas and Oil Ltd., was fined $450 for short weight in liquid Propane Gas.

"I hope that the increased publicity given to prosecutions will lead to greater public understanding of the law and of the Department's inspection services, and will act as a deterrent to undesireable practices in the market place," the Minister stated.

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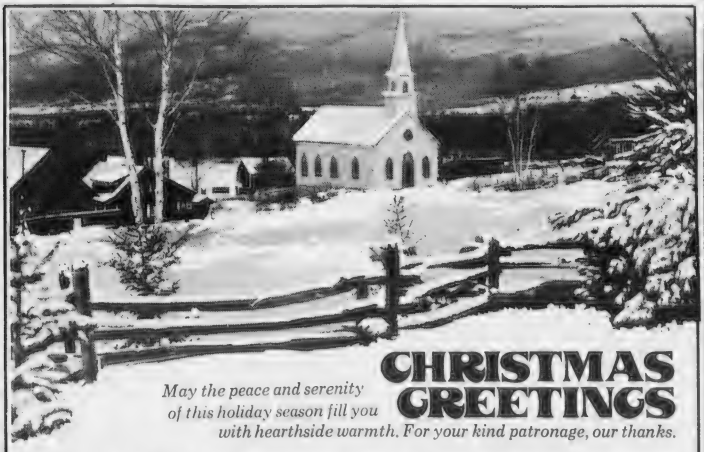
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Sports

Paul Kane Invitational Bonspiel

The Paul Kane Curling Club held their annual invitational bonspiel in St. Albert on Saturday, Dec. 14. Competitors came from Edmonton, Sherwood Park, Westlock, Redwater, Ardrossan and St. Albert.

The Don McKenzie rink from Paul Kane took the A event defeating Greg Tymchuk from Eastglen Composite High School. Third and fourth place winners were Lorne Barker from Queen Elizabeth Composite High Schol and Barry Rozak from Redwater.

The B event was won by Danny Laurie from Jasper Place Composite High School over Charlie Andrews from Redwater. Graham Marsham from Paul Kane High School and Greg Brandenburg from Paul Kane High School placed third and fourth.

Special thanks go to Safeway and Macleod's for donating the A and B Event Trophies. Also special thanks go to the Jean Joint, the St. Albert Bakery, the Klondike Inn and the Dairy Queen. Thanks go out to the parents, students, and staff who helped to make the Spiel a huge success.

The Don McKenzie rink from Paul Kane High School took the A Event in the annual Paul Kane Invitational Bonspield held on December 14. In the photo from left to right are the A Event winners: Don McKenzie (skip), Karen Hoosier (third), Norm Tinker (second) and Cindy Oakes (first). Competitors came from Edmonton, Sherwood Park, Westlock, Redwater, Ardrossan and St. Albert to participate in the spiel.

Barons give up

St. Albert's Sportshop Barons ran head-first into a potent Fort Saskatchewan power play Thursday, giving up five power play goals in losing 6-2.

The Barons, unable to master the Fort's attack while a man short, were outscored 4-1 in the final period, to turn what had been a well played contest into a rather lop-sided contest.

Monday however, the Barons had a field day in the scoring department, rapping in 11 goals against Redwater to skate off with a 11-6 win, and boost their season's record to seven wins in 12 outings.

Against Fort Saskatchewan, the hometown Barons outhit the visitors convincingly in the opening period, but the two teams skated off in a scoreless tie.

Persistent forechecking early in the second opened the door for St. Albert's first goal when Ron Sander batted home a Graham Brown pass into the Fort Saskatchewan goalcrease.

The goal was the last spark of enthusiasm the Barons showed however until the dying minutes of the third period, when Dave Shipanoff's pass from behind the Fort Saskatchewan net deflected in off a Fort defenceman.

In between, the Fort's power play was the difference as Marty Achtynichuk and Greg Skoreyko both beat goalie Wayne White from close in. White, who played outstanding hockey over the first two periods, was replaced by Dennis LaFleur early in the third, after he took a hard shot to the inside of his leg. LaFleur was beaten for the last four goals, but couldn't be faulted on any, as his defence suddenly opened the flood gates and the forwards stopped back-checking, and the Fort forwards swarmed repeatedly around the Baron net.

Against Redwater four nights later, the Barons fired 23 opening period shots against Redwater goalie Mike Lapensee, and skated off with a 3-0 lead.

By the 15 minute mark of the second, the Barons had opened up a 6-0 lead and White replaced LaFleur in the nets, but two late goals reduced the score to 6-2 going into the third.

The Barons outscored Redwater5-4 in the final period, with Redwater getting their final two goals in the last minute.

Real Huot, in his first game with the Barons, picked up a hat-trick, while Lloyd Olson and Paul McCann had two. Singles went to Ken Strand, Terry Leddy, Rod Olsen, and Earl Evaniew.

Redwater goals were notched by Roloff with three, and singles from Schesnuk, Bruntlery and Segard.

The Barons played Stettler in Stettler Tuesday night.

The team now breaks off for Christmas, but will play three games in a tournament at Wetaskiwin Dec. 27 to 29 against Wetaskiwin, Olds and Ponoka.

The Barons next home game is Dec. 30.

Pee Wee Combines score 4 wins

Again this past week the St. Albert Peewee BB Combines turned in a very good account of themselves. They started out by beating Namao 4-2 in a very close game compared to the previous encounter which saw the Combines take a 11-2 victory. On Thursday evening the team travelled to Whitecourt, in the Rocky Mountain Peewee BB League and defeated them by a 9-5 score.

Saturday they were back on the road, this time to Barrhead, who normally provide very good competition for the St. Albert representative team. But the kids changed all that by trouncing the home team 16-0. To finish the week they went to Vegreville and again thrashed their opponents, this time 16-1.

This week they hope play will be closer and are going to try out with the St. Albert Bantam B teams on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. at Braeside rink, and again on Friday evening, Mission rink from 6 to 7 p.m. These games should prepare the team well for Saturday's regular league contest against Ardrossan.

Game time is 5:45 to 8 p.m. at the St. Albert Arena and fans of the team are asked to come out and see for themselves how well the boys are playing. Work is being done on statistics and it is hoped they will be published soon.

Water safety workshop held

A water safety leadership training workshop in Red Deer last month was attended by over 200 delegates, including Water Safety instructors and area representatives, was under the chairmanship of Mr. Bob Stothart.

An afternoon of workshop sessions was followed by a banquet and presentation of awards. Badges of Service and Certificates of Merit were presented to 54 recipients by Mr. Fred Gale, president Alberta - N.W.T. Division, Canadian Red Cross Society, Dr. Morley Tuttle, president Calgary Branch and Dr. Harry Kleparchuk, president Edmonton Branch.

Mrs. Sandra Harding and Mr. Bob Stothart of St. Albert were awarded Certificates of Merit for five years loyal voluntary service in the Water Safety program.

With involvement in the Water Safety program having increased substantially from fewer than half a million people 10 years ago to over a million this year, leadership training becomes very important, said Dr. Murray F. R. Smith, chairman of the Alberta - N.W.T. Division Water Safety Advisory Committee, who the keynote address at the opening session.

He pointed out that the evidence that efforts in the program have paid off lies in a comparison of drowning statistics. Although there has been a 10% increase in drownings during the last 14 years, in that period the population more than doubled, income rose, mobility increased, the work day shortened, boat sales were up, and beaches and recreational areas improved, all adding to the humber of people participating in swimming and water sports.

A leader in the Water Safety program gains, by his experience, a chance to grow personally in developing his skills and knowledge, Dr. Smith said. He must learn not only how to impart these skills to others, but be able to do so with warmth, humanity and understanding. What he does may in some small way improve the human condition especially when measured collectively throughout the whole program, said Mr. Smith.

Attention Kinsmen Minor Hockey Coaches

All Kinsmen minor hockey leagues are now in full swing and game sheets are starting to come in. Some of them are incomplete in many ways and it is impossible to determine the scores on some of them.

All coaches are requested to please complete the following items on all game sheets in the space provided and leave in drop-off box in the arena.

*What category - midget, bantam etc.
*A or B division
*Date of game.
*Where played
*Team names and number
*Boys full name
*Goal scorers and assists

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Sunday	12 noon - 9:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, Dec. 25	ARENA CLOSED
Thursday, Dec. 26	2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 27	NO PUBLIC SKATING
Saturday, Dec. 28	8:30 - 10 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 29	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 30	NO PUBLIC SKATING
Tuesday, Dec. 31	2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 1	ARENA CLOSED
Thursday, Jan. 2	2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 3	NO PUBLIC SKATING
Saturday, Jan. 4	8:30 - 10 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 5	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

[REGULAR SCHEDULE IN OPERATION FROM JANUARY 6, 1975]

OUTDOOR RINKS:	
Monday, Dec. 23	10 a.m. - 9:30 p.m
Tuesday, Dec. 24	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 25	CLOSED
Thurs., Fri. and Sat., Dec. 26, 27 and 28	10 a.m. - 9:30 p.m
Sunday, Dec. 29	12 noon - 9:30 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 30	10 a.m. - 9:30 p.m
Tuesday, Dec. 31	10 a.m. - 5 p.m
Wednesday, Jan. 1	CLOSED
Thurs., Fri. and Sat., Jan. 2, 3 and 4	10 a.m. - 9:30 p.m
Sunday, Jan. 5	12 noon - 9:30 p.m

[REGULAR SCHEDULE IN OPERATION FROM JANUARY 6, 1975]

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Students [13 - 17 years]	50¢
Children [12 years and under]	25¢
Parents & preschooler session	25¢ per person

KINSMEN MINOR HOCKEY

All divisions of the Kinsmen Minor Hockey are now underway and a number of games have been played. A total of 1,013 boys are taking part in 69 teams including the four representative teams.

SHAVER DIVISION

These are the youngest group of boys playing hockey and the 12 teams have a total of 181 boys registered.

MITE DIVISION

This division is divided into two divisions with the eight team A division having 117 boys taking part while the eight team B division have 121 youngsters in action.

PEEWEE DIVISION

This league is also split into two divisions with a total of 202 boys in the 16 team A and B set up.

BANTAM DIVISION

The bantam league is also split into two six teams A and B division with 179 boys registered.

MIDGET DIVISION

This six team league has only one division with 85 boys taking part.

JUVENILE DIVISION

Only 42 boys registered in this league and three teams were made up.

STANDINGS

Standings shown below are for all game sheets turned in to date at the arena drop-off box.

MITE A:

Team #	W	L	T	P
2	2	0	0	4
6	2	1	0	4
8	1	1	1	3
3	1	1	0	2
5	1	1	0	2
7	1	2	0	2
4	1	2	0	2
1	0	1	1	1

MITE B:

Team #	W	L	T	P
1	2	0	0	4
7	2	0	0	4
2	2	1	0	4
5	2	0	0	4
3	1	1	0	2
4	0	2	1	1
6	0	2	1	1
8	0	3	0	0

PEEWEE A:

Team #	W	L	T	P
2	2	0	1	5
4	2	1	1	5
5	2	1	1	5
7	2	1	1	5
8	2	0	0	4
1	1	1	1	3
3	0	3	1	1
6	0	4	0	0

PEEWEE B:

Team #	W	L	T	P
1	1	0	0	2
2	1	0	0	2

TEAMS 3 to 8 INCLUSIVE - NO GAME REPORTS TO DATE - DEC. 18.

BANTAM A:

Team #	W	L	T	P
5	1	0	1	3
1	1	1	0	2
2	1	1	0	2
3	1	1	0	2
6	0	0	2	2
4	0	1	1	1

BANTAM B:

Team #	W	L	T	P
1	1	0	0	2
4	1	0	0	2
5	1	0	0	2
2	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	0	0
6	0	1	0	0

MIDGETS:

Team #	W	L	T	P
5	3	0	0	6
4	2	0	0	4
2	1	1	0	2
3	1	2	0	2
6	1	2	0	2
1	0	3	0	0

JUVENILES:

Team #	W	L	T	P
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3	0	1	1	1
2	0	1	1	1

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In April, 1970 the Alberta Fish and Wildlife Division undertook a program of setting aside seven Alberta lakes as trophy lakes. The lakes included are God's, May, Seibert, Andrew, Gardiner, Namur and Winefred. The trophy lake concept strives to emphasize the quality of the fishing experience rather than the quantity of fish creeled. The species of fish being managed in these lakes are northern pike and/or walleye.

A few regulations were instituted for the purpose of managing trophy lakes. The requirement of a special trophy lake license was instituted to discourage those who were not concerned about catching a trophy. A reduction in the possession limit of the trophy species along with a reduction in the limit of other major sport fishes was also implemented.

On Tuesday, December 10 the St. Albert and District Fish and Game Association had as their guest Mr. Ray Makowecki. Ray carried out a three year study on Seibert Lake, one of the more accessible trophy lakes. One of the objectives of the study was to determine the reasons for the presence of large northern pike. With the assistance of colored slides, Mr. Makowecki covered the different phases of his study which eventually found some of the reasons why there are large numbers of big pike in Seibert Lake.

Seibert Lake has a maximum depth of 36 feet. One of the bays where large pike are caught varies in depth of from four to seven feet. There are only intermittent streams entering the lake plus numerous underground springs. The outflow stream joins the Sand River which eventually joins the Beaver River.

WHITEFISH

The Whitefish of Seibert Lake are very numerous and quite small. They rarely go over two pounds. Shoreline gravel beds provide excellent spawning habitat which plays a part in their abundance. Lake Whitefish in Seibert are not important as a sport fish and have not been commercially fished since 1956. They are highly infested with the cysts of tape worms. The whitefish reach close to their maximum weight in five years and then level off.

WALLEYE

Although northern pike are of prime importance in the management of this trophy lake the walleye are abundant and of such excellent quality that a lot of fishermen visit the lake with walleye their major aim. The average size of walleye in Seibert is 1¾ pounds. Most of the walleye caught are six and seven year old fish. In comparison with other lakes the size of Seibert, walleye is considered as being small. In most lakes walleye tend to feed a great deal on fish but in Seibert the rather small number of forage fish results in a relatively small portion of the diet being fish. The prime spawning areas for walleye allow for the tremendous production of walleye numbers, but the walleye whitefish competition, the walleye-pike competition and the walleye-walleye competition tends to have adverse effects on the growth of the walleye.

NORTHERN PIKE

The growth of pike at Seibert is very rapid after the age of four. For this reason management must allow large numbers of fish to reach the older age classes. The age-weight relationship of pike indicates a tremendous difference between the growth of males and females. The females being much larger than the males. (Ray Makowecki believes the males fool around too much with the suckers). The average size of pike caught by anglers is 7½ pounds.

The diet of small northern pike overlaps with the walleye diet, but the diet of the large pike is almost exclusively lake whitefish. Over 90 per cent of the whitefish used as food by pike are five years of age or older. The habitat where the largest pike are found usually includes water lilies. With such excellent cover the pike just lie in wait of an unsuspecting whitefish. The limited amount of suitable habitat (approximately 20 per cent of the lake) correlates with the small population size - 20,400 pike two years and older.

In summary three prime factors that produce "Trophy Pike" at Seibert Lake are:

1. A small northern pike population over the age of two years.
2. Areas of prime pike habitat are necessary for the very large pike.
3. A whitefish population acts as the major food supply for the large pike.

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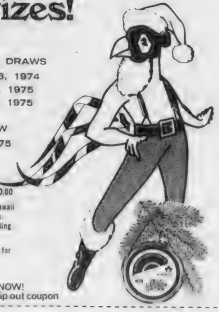

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ST. ALBERT RECREATION REPORT

The staff of the Department of Parks and Recreation wish all those involved with recreational activities in St. Albert a very Merry Christmas and a New Year which already promises to be exciting.

Included in these seasonal greetings are also the members of the staff of the Gazette without whose co-operation and courtesy (not to mention patience and forebearance) the weekly recreation news would often never get printed.

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

Members of the public will be welcome at the meeting of the Board which will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1975 at 7:30 in the Library Annex. Suggestions and comments should be sent, in writing, for the Board's consideration to the Secretary, Mr. Bernie March, director of Parks and Recreation, Town Hall, St. Albert.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

The St. Albert Nordic Ski Club has arranged a beginners' cross-country ski clinic which will be held at the beginning of January.

The clinic will consist of a two hour lecture at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1975 in Sir Alexander Mackenzie School followed by two 1½ hour sessions of ski instruction on Saturday, Jan. 11 and Sunday, Jan. 12, the location and times of which will be announced at the lecture.

Registration will take place on the 7th at the school (the lecture follows at 7:30 p.m.) and the fees are $6 for club members and $7 for non-members. Classes will be kept small - 12 for each instructor - and all the instructors are C.S.A. qualified

The St. Albert Nordic Ski Club got organized only last year but has made great progress in a short time. It is now affiliated with the Canadian Skiing Association (Cross-country Division) and the Canadian Youth Hostel Association. This means that members qualify for all the privileges of belonging to these national associations; maps, ski maps, accommodation and much useful information is available. Our local club prints a newsletter periodically and the executive plans outings which are "geared" for family participation. (Members are also praying for snow).

Membership for a family is $5, for a single adult, $3 and for a student $1 and Ken Rothwell, the membership chairman, will be very glad to hear from anyone interested in becoming a member. Phone him at 459-5131.

In the meantime, don't forget the clinic in January.

GYMNASTICS CLUB

Registration for membership in the St. Albert Gymnastics Club will take place on Thursday, Jan. 9 in the Grandin Clubhouse (beside the swimming pool) from 8 - 9:30 p.m.

This club got off to a flying start last year and is now in the process of becoming a registered society. Instruction is available for boys of six years and over and girls of nine years and over with classes held in Lorne Akins School on Mondays for boys and on Tuesdays and Thursdays for girls.

The cost will depend on the number of classes offered and a final decision on this has not yet been made by the executive. However, it will be as low as possible - probably in the $10 - $12 range. Look for an advertisement in the January 8 issue of the Gazette.

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POWER SKATING

A few openings remain in the next session of power skating lessons. For information and to register, please phone 459-6059 before Monday, December 23.

FIGURE SKATING

Members of the St. Albert Figure Skating Club are at present excited by the possibility of acting as hosts to Barry and Louise Soper who are making a tour of Northern Alberta during the weekend of Jan. 18 and 19.

The Sopers are probably one of the best known pairs in the figure skating dance world. They were world title contenders, having won the Canadian Dance Championship last year.

The exact time of their appearance is not yet definite but the place is - the St. Albert Arena and it will be marvellous opportunity of seeing an exhibition of top-level figure skating by this famous husband and wife team. Other skaters of high calibre will also be appearing on the program.

When arrangements have been finalized, a further announcement will be made, watch for it in the Jan. 8 issue of the Gazette.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Three weekend workshops will be held in January. The first on batik, with Mrs. Jackie Graff as the instructor, will be held on Jan. 3, 4 and 5; the second on jewellery, with Mrs. Linda MacPhee as instructor on Jan. 11 and 12 and a third on puppetry on Jan. 18 and 19 with Mr. Don Mills as instructor.

Fuller details re times, cost etc. were given in last week's Gazette. For those who missed it or can't find last week's paper, information can be obtained by phoning Mrs. Lois Folkins at 459-7344. Registrations have to be in by December 29.

CHESS

Members of the St. Albert Chess Club will resume play on Wednesday, Jan. 8 after the Christmas break at the usual location - Mission Clubhouse at 8 p.m.

COURSES & SEMINARS

Information was included in this column last week about courses being held at Blue Lake and at the Alberta School Hospital, Red Deer.

A course of interest to all retired men and women will be held at the Blue Lake Outdoor Recreation Centre, Hinton from Jan. 13 - 16. Two courses will be held at Red Deer from Jan. 3 - 5, one in recreation programming for the mentally handicapped and one training seminar for learning the techniques in teaching the mentally handicapped how to ski.

Information about the above courses as well as others being held at the Blue Lake Centre is available at the Recreation Department in the Town Hall or phone 459-6601.

SKATING

See separate advertisement in this issue containing the holiday season schedules for the outdoor rinks and the arena.

YMCA arranges cross country ski school

The YMCA Cross Country Ski School opens Jan. 6 in the beautiful river valley setting of Holy Redeemer College on Edmonton's southwest outskirts.

Buses will be scheduled to pick up course participants at various pickup points throughout the city.

Each $13. six-hour course of lessons will be taught by qualified instructors with a maximum of 10 pupils each. Lessons will include instruction on how to pick equipment and clothing, how to wax, and on such skiing techniques as double poling and the diagonal stride.

Course participants and others will also be able to join the YMCA Ski Club, which will be holding guided ski tours every weekend on a share-the-cost basis.

More information on Cross Country Ski School and Ski Club can be obtained from YMCA Cross Country Skiing, at 10816A 82 Ave., Edmonton, or by phoning 433-5080 or 433-5110.

Lessons will be held on Saturday and Sundays and on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays are open for groups which want to contract for instruction from the YMCA.

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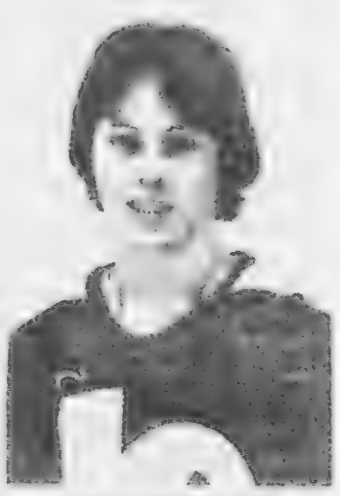
Bruins frustrated by Traders

Fort Saskatchewan Traders, led by the three goal performance of Wayne Anderson, outscored the Bruins 7-5 on Friday the 13th at the St. Albert and District Arena. Being the 13th must have had something to do with the small crowd, who, after one period of play must have thought Fort Saskatchewan was going to run the home team right out of the rink.

The second period was much better played and the score ended 4-4, then came the frustrating third period where the Traders again took the play away from St. Albert. If it were not for Mike Pierce's three point night (two goals, one assist) one being a rink length rush for an unassisted goal, and Jerry Vanthuyne's two goals, the Bruins would not have been in the game. Larry Sloans lone first period marker rounded out the Bruins scoring.

MIKE PIERCE



CAREY WINQUIST

For the Traders Don Liber, Allan Sorenson, Steve Patterson and Willie Babcock scored singletons.

The Bruins must show more hustle especially on defense or there will be more Friday the thirteenths in store wherever they play.

NOTICE

Grandin Bakery Customers

Due to necessary repairs we will remain closed

Friday Dec. 27th and 28th.

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Midnight Mass in the snow

Photo courtesy of Glenbow-Alberta Institute

By B. Smith

The most celebrated of our Alberta pioneers is probably the little Oblate priest known as Father Lacombe or the Man-of-Good-Heart.

Part French-Canadian and part Ojibwa Indian, Albert Lacombe left his trails throughout Alberta - from the first settlement he inspired at St. Albert, through the town of Lacombe to the Lacombe Home for the Poor and the place where he died in Calgary. He left his imprint in Cree bibles, in missions to the Blackfoot, in the various treaties and on the mighty Canadian Pacific itself. He was the inspiration of the Metis, children of the prairie, paleface and Indian alike.

But it was in his travels with Alexis Cardinal, his Metis guide, that we reach the high point of adventure for a Christmas story.

Father Lacombe had determined to leave St. Anne and the territory of the Crees for an exploration among the fierce Blackfoot of Southern Alberta. He and Alexis set off with a dog sled in a snowstorm during the height of a scarlet fever epidemic among the Indians, who were so vulnerable to the unaccustomed diseases of the white man.

The pair ran into a camp of 60 Blackfoot tents and were summoned by half-naked Indians, poorly protected against the cold and reddened by fever. Scores had died from scarlet fever and they looked upon Father Lacombe as some medicine man who could save them from this plague. He did his best there, travelling over the snow to other Blackfoot lodges until he himself was stricken by the disease. The little Oblate recovered, but hundreds of Indians did not and were buried in the snow.

Thus Arsous-Kitsi-rarpi, the Man-of-Good-Heart, gained the affection of the Blackfoot.

On January 17, 1865, a year later, he left St. Albert with Alexis Cardinal and a four-dog team. Four days later the pair found themselves in a blizzard close to the Red Deer River.

The temperature was 40 below and the wind blew hard from the north. After a breakfast of dried meat, they resolved to aim for a nearby Cree camp and, despite the intense cold from which only their buffalo robes protected them, they pushed on non-stop until they reached it.

"The darkness, the deafening howls of the dogs, the yells of the Crees, the remains of the butchered animals lying about-and then the cold which devours you," was the description of the scene by Father Lacombe in his memoirs.

For six weeks he stayed with his band, teaching them the catechism, prayers and hymns. "We pray, we sing and at last we pass about the calumet, the honored peace pipe, whose smoke like incense crowns the religious service."

He made other expeditions south to the Blackfoot who were now stricken by typhoid and were camped near Rocky Mountain House.

Worse trials travelling south

But his next greatest test of endurance was when he travelled in the snows south from St. Paul to Battle River. There he encountered a starving band of Crees who had already eaten their horses and dogs, and were at the end of their tether.

Father Lacombe and Alexis resolved to fast for three days so that they could give their tea, pemmican and six small fish to the famished Indians. Then breaking trail for the Indians, he led them hopefully towards safety.

On the first day, climaxed by another hearty snowstorm, they caught only one jack-rabbit and a grouse to feed 20 souls. He gave them to the Indian children.

Five days later they came to the point where Father Lacombe had hoped to find another Cree encampment. But the tribe had left and heavy snow had covered their trail.

Father Lacombe snowshoed to the top of a hill in the hope of divine guidance, while Alexis Cardinal went afield with his gun in search of game. The missionary priest was so weak from lack of food that his sight was blurred and his head felt too heavy for his neck. He was delirious at times and wrote later that though he no longer felt hunger, the faintness of death was upon him. Their only meal that day had been soup made from old hides, leather thongs and their worn moccasins.

It was after dark when his prayers were answered. Alexis Cardinal returned with meat cut from an old buffalo bull. He had found it emaciated, diseased and dying, struggling in the snow after abandonment by the herd. Poor Father Lacombe found the meat so repulsive that his stomach refused to retain it. But it kept the miserable little band alive and for another 14 days they struggled on through the snow.

Occasionally the irrepresible Alexis was able to supplement the foul buffalo meat with a rare rabbit or prairie chicken. But it was not often.

"My dear friends and you who seat yourselves at tables covered with appetizing food whenever you need it, let me tell you," wrote Father Lacombe, "how painful and torturing it is to know hunger in circumstances like these. I had said many times, I had proclaimed that those who did not want to work should not eat. But now, after such an experience, I have changed my ideas and I have taken the resolution to share my last mouthful with anyone who is hungry. After experiencing such hardship from hunger how clearly one understands those words of the Father of the Poor - "I was hungry, and you gave me not to eat'."

The next night, just before midnight, they stumbled into a Cree camp. The Lord had delivered them. They feasted themselves on soup and fresh cuts from buffalo.

By Christmas Eve, three days later, Father Lacombe, although still weak, was strong enough to move from the lodge of Chief Sweet Grass into a teepee of his own.

He sounded his little bell and called the band to attend midnight Mass around an alter made of lodgepoles.

Memorable Midnight Mass

"As I robed myself for that Mass," he has written, "this is what passed in my heart...the Holy Gospel tells us that the Shepherds of the Valley of Bethlehem came to the stable to adore the Divine Child. And here tonight in this wild country in North America another kind of shepherd - the shepherds of the great flocks of buffalo - kneel down to adore the same Child Jesus, the Son of God, that lay on the straw in Bethlehem in the Far East."

"And when these old shepherds began to sing the canticles of the Church in their own tongue-emigwa tibiskayik - for some time I could not begin my Mass because the tears came and I wept. Ah, that scene was a poem-Sasay manito, awasis... Those warriors and hunters singing the hymns that are the Church the whole world over, the same old melodies we sang at St. Sulpice for Christmas."

"I have said Mass in St. Peter's at Rome, in fine basilicas in France and in many places - but I say to you, this was the most solemn Mass, the most grand of all."

Father Lacombe, still very weak from his ordeal in the snows, said Mass of the Dawn for the women of the band. And then he collapsed in his tent and, covered with buffalo robes, went into a deep sleep from which he did not emerge for two days.

Many more adventures lay ahead for the Black Robe Voyageur, the Man-of-Good-Heart, Father Albert Lacombe. But none quite equalled that Christmas of 1868.

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AROUND TOWN

The Welcome Wagon Newcomers Club of St. Albert held their ninth annual Christmas party at the Community Hall on Saturday, Dec. 14. Mrs. Peggy Ainslie, president, gave a very entertaining welcome speech which helped to set the mood for the evening. After an excellent meal catered by Trio Catering the newcomers and their guests danced enthusiastically to the sound of The Sharps.

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The regular month end puppet show at the St. Albert Public Library will be held this Friday in the Library Annex at 4 p.m. and again at 5 p.m. in order to accommodate everyone. This month's show will be a Christmas one involving Susie and the evil Baron von Booksnatcher again in a plot to destroy Christmas. Will he succeed this time? Find out Friday. Admission is free and children of all ages are welcome. The show will last 30 minutes.

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Kin Dave Stewart in running for Vice-Governor

DAVE STEWART

With the unanimous backing of the St. Albert Kinsmen Club, Dave Stewart is running for office as Vice District Governor, and if elected will become District Governor the following year.

With the assistance of President Terry Moore and the membership as a whole Mr. Stewart has been working hard on the campaign trail and visits have been made to both Edmonton clubs, Spruce Grove, Barrhead, Athabasca, Fort McMurray, Fort Saskatchewan and Grande Prairie. The Sherwood Park club will be visited before Christmas as well.

Dave became a Kinsmen in Barrhead in 1966, serving that club in the offices of Bulletin Editor, Treasurer and Deputy Governor of Zone 2 before transferring to St. Albert in 1969. In the year 1969-70 he was chairman of the artificial ice committee which saw a plant installed by the Kinsmen in the local arena.

He was a director in the 1970-71 year and elected as president of the St. Albert club the following year. The year 1972-73 was an active one for Dave in his capacities as past president, district co-ordinator and bylaws chairman, in addition to serving on the district committee on national convention finances.

Last year he was a member on the National Convention Study Committee, and chairman of Inter-club, and in the current 1974-75 year is the secretary for Zone 2 and chairman of a special committee for the minor hockey program. Throughout his eight years as a Kinsmen, Mr. Stewart has an outstanding attendance record.

The 33 year old chartered accountant has not confined his service work to Kinsmen activities, but has worked in the United Church, as a member of the Canadian Ski Patrol, a cub leader for St. Albert 4th Pack, and a leader of young peoples. Over the last four years he has served as well as a member of the Provincial Professional Development Committee, and has found time to work actively for the party of his choice at both the provincial and federal levels.

The election will be held at the Kinsmen District Convention in Grande Prairie at the end of May, dubbed Timber Takin Daze. The local club has booked 25 rooms for this function and the campaign is stressing both Dave, the man, and his home club.

Beside the support of his club, Mr. Stewart will have the good wishes of the community behind him. The St. Albert Club has previously had two members elected to the position of District Governor, Mr. Don Sinclair and Mr. Bill Hite.

AROUND TOWN

Russ Bowen, recently retired from his position as Town Clerk will be undergoing heart surgery in the University Hospital on Thursday, December 19. He first went into hospital on November 19 in St. Albert just three weeks after his retirement. He was very popular with his colleagues and staff at Town Hall who presented him with a radio to help the time pass more quickly in hospital. Russ's many friends in the community will be wishing him well.

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GRADE ONE children from the Leo Nickerson school sing "Tip Toe Elf" at the Christmas concert televised on Capital Cable TV from the Sir George Simpson School.

Little tots enjoy French playschool

The recently formed French playschool is now being held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the Mission Clubhouse. "Les Tournesols" (Sunflowers) are a group of 13 three and four year olds who meet at these times with their teacher Madame Florence Lefebvre. During the two hours they follow a loosely structured program of free play, conversation, organized childrens games, story time and a wide variety of other activities.

The original intention had been that no other language but French would be usedin the expectation that the children would benefit more rapidly from the total immersion. Experience being the best teacher however, it was quickly found that at times, and probably particularly in these first few weeks, some of the young ones respond well to the occasional reassurance of hearing a sentence spoken in English. At least half of the class spoke or understood no French when school started and it is exciting to watch their develolpment. From the first shy "Bonjours" and "je m'appelle Jane" to a more complex assimilation of primary colors, action songs, understanding familiar fairy stories heard in French, usually with the help of puppets. Some parents report finding their high school French heavily taxed when encouraging their child at home with reinforcement of what has been learned at school!

The idea for the playschool began with the concern of several citizens that the French language and culture were slowly, though perhaps unintentionally, being eroded through the rapid expansion of the town.

Thanks to the generosity of L'Association Canadienne Francaise de l'Alberta who gave a grant of $200 to the group, a committee was formed and Les Tournesols came into being. Now those who are concerned about their French heritage and others of English descent who recognize the importance (and usefulness) of bilingualism are coming together in providing this opportunity for their children who are at an age when their learning abilities are at their height. If anyone reading this would like to know more, feel free to call 459-4160 or 458-1894.

ROD THRONDSON introduces a carol performance from Grade One students of Leo Nickerson school at the Christmas concert in Sir George Simpson school December 13.

Accent on Akins

By Carolyn Seitz

Santa's season is slipping into view now and while most are rushing the downtown stores, Lorne Akins' students will be celebrating the holiday (and the beginning of their 16-day vacation) with a dance. It is to be held on Dec. 20 and to be graced by the band, Aerial.

Other seasonal projects are also in hand. The Kinettes will collect their Christmas Hampers from the students on Dec. 18 - two days later they will receive a cash donation on behalf of the school.

A Christmas card was recently received from Choi Nam Kil in Korea. Some students are to begin a personal correspondence with the foster child.

The school's last project - Fund Raising Day - proved very successful. Over $300 and a lot of fun was raised that Dec. 6.

Cullinary skills were volunteered by students in several ways in the true Christmas spirit. On Friday, Dec. 13, a beautiful aroma floating through the school causing many a student to wrinkle his nose with desire. Well they knew, however, that the scent emanating from the Home Ec room was a 35 pound turkey and meant for teachers' mouths only. The staff party was held that night and the teachers reaped the benefits of hard work - hams, turkey, phroghis, scalloped potatoes ....

A few days later tantalizing unattainable scents again enticed the hungry students. The Ukrainian Cooking Option students were taking time out to create a Christmas dinner in the style of that country. Oh! to be one of these connoisseur groups! The rest of the students, however, wish these well-fed individuals well. After all, the kids will consume many a soft Dairy Queen Dilly Bar on Friday, December 20 - compliments of the Staff and the Students' Union. Chips and pop will be available at the dance, too. A different type of nourishment, perhaps, but to most, just as enjoyable.

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A chance to ride a horse

Horseback-riding lessons at Equestrian Manor near the golf course should come to a grandstand finish December 22.

Sixty youngsters who have been taking the courses over the past few months will get a chance to show their parents just what they have learned of the art of horsemanship. The riding display gets underway at 10 a.m., and parents and the public are welcome to attend.

A spokesman for Equestrian Manor said Monday that the display is for "everyone to get acquainted" and it looks as though this includes the horses too.

The spokesman said that the parents of the youngsters will also be expected to throw their legs over a mount even if they have never ridden a horse in their lives. He pointed out that "we will give them the right size horse and a quiet one," to allay fears that parents might find themselves aboard a bucking bronco.

Refreshments will also be served at the display and weather permitting there will be sleigh rides for the youngsters.

Merry Christmas

Premier Lougheed's statement on Petroleum Exploration Plan

The importance to Alberta of the petroleum industry and the need for continuous exploration for oil and natural gas within the province is obvious to all Albertans. The Federal Government's budget provisions of November 18, 1974 have threatened the viability of this key industry in the province by, in effect, taxing royalties paid by the petroleum companies to the Alberta Government. The impact of such a harsh and punitive provision is effectively to tax a petroleum company for something the company does not receive - that is the portion of the production from a well that goes to the Alberta Government in the form of royalty. In the case of crude oil, the Alberta Petroleum Marketing Commission takes the Alberta Government's share in kind as royalty oil.

With regard to crude oil, the petroleum companies and the Alberta Government have since April 1, 1974 been receiving in the aggregate a price averaging approximately $6.50 per barrel at the wellhead, which amounts to only about 60% of market value for this rapidly depleting and valuable resource.

As a result of the Federal Government's budget provision to tax provincial royalties - which forces the Alberta Government to make modifications in its royalty structure for oil - the Alberta Government considers that the pricing accord of March 27, 1974 has, therefore, been breached by this unilateral Federal Government action and the Alberta Government no longer considers itself bound by it. The Alberta Government considers that the determination of the selling price of its natural resources is within the jurisdiction of the Provincial Government and intends to act accordingly.

The Alberta Government intends to continue to sell its crude oil at an average price of $6.50 per barrel for the balance of this winter. Thereafter, the Alberta Government intends to take action available to a provincial government under the Constitution to increase the price of its depleting resources closer to fair market value.

However, because of the consequences of the negative impact of the Federal budget provisions disallowing deductibility of provincial royalties - the Alberta Government considers it necessary to make a number of significant and substantial revisions and modifications to its royalty and corporate tax system in order to strengthen this base industry in the province. It has been concluded that these revisions and modifications - which are collectively referred to as the **Alberta Petroleum Exploration Plan of December 1974** - need to be made now and should not be delayed until crude oil prices increase.

The primary emphasis of the revisions and modifications is directed towards strengthening those smaller companies whose cash-flow position has been proportionately the most adversely affected by the impact of the federal tax provisions. It is directed also towards petroleum companies which are pursuing an active exploration program within the Province of Alberta. However, the revisions and modifications are also of significant benefit to all exploration and producing companies operating in the province inasmuch as Alberta is the headquarters for most of the companies as well as their administrative and service base. Improvements in the position of the exploration and producing companies generally will have a positive impact upon the many drilling and other service companies located in Alberta.

The statement dealt with six main revisions and modifications of the Alberta Petroleum Exploration Plan of December 1974.

REFUND OF TAX ON ROYALTIES - ALBERTA PORTION

A program to return to the petroleum industry - from the approximately 30% of corporation tax which flows to the province - all amounts the province would receive as a result of the inclusion of royalties and other payments in computing taxable income under the new federal budget provisions, which, by tax agreement, also apply to the Alberta provincial corporate tax system. However, for corporations allocating income to provinces other than Alberta, the royalty payments eligible for the refund will be reduced accordingly. In order to compensate companies which are in a loss position for tax purposes now but which would be exposed to future taxation on account of including royalties and other payments in income, the refund will be paid subject to appropriate regulations whether or not a corporation is in a taxable position in a given year. This **refund of Alberta corporate tax on royalties** will return approximately $130 million to the petroleum industry in the 1975 taxation year.

An off-set for increased costs in the finding and developing of crude oil reserves arising out of the rapidly accelerating inflationary cost situation experienced by the petroleum industry in the last eight months will be provided. The select price for both "old oil" and "new oil" above which a supplementary royalty rate is applied will be increased effective Jan. 1, 1975 by 60¢/barrel from $4.11/barrel to $4.71/barrel. The result will be to reduce the effective royalty rate on "old oil" from approximately 40% to approximately 36% and on "new oil" from 28% to 27%.

A TAX CREDIT PLAN FOR SMALLER EXPLORERS

In view of the significant financial burden that has been imposed upon smaller petroleum operators by the federal tax provisions, the Alberta Government is introducing a royalty tax credit. Under the royalty tax credit program, each corporation paying royalties to Alberta will receive a credit of an amount equivalent to federal corporate taxes on royalties paid to Alberta up to a maximum of $1 million for each full taxation year to which the federal budget provisions apply. The credit will be calculated by applying the Federal tax rate of 30% to royalties included in income from May 6 for the 1974 taxation year, 28% for the 1975 taxation year and 25% for the 1976 and subsequent taxation years. All but about 30 of the largest producers should receive the 30% credit, being a full off-set of the negative impact of the Federal budget. As a result of this tax credit plan, the average effective royalty rate on "old oil" is reduced to approximately 25% for many of the smaller companies.

MODIFICATIONS OF NATURAL GAS ROYALTY RATES

The Government believes that the petroleum industry should be further encouraged to explore for additional reserves of natural gas for Albertans to replace rapidly depleting existing natural gas deposits. Furthermore, the Alberta Government recognizes that much of the natural gas remaining to be found in Alberta probably is contained in the Foothills area where access and drilling costs are high and where much of the natural gas is "sour" (that is, with a high sulphur content) and hence, expensive to process. Certainly, if Alberta is to maintain its position as Canada's major natural gas producing area, it is essential to maintain a high level of exploration and development.

Consequently, the Alberta Government proposes to modify the royalty rate on "old gas" by reducing the supplementary rate for sales above the price of 72¢/Mcf (thousand cubic feet) from 65% to 50%, effective Jan. 1, 1975. The reduced rate would provide approximately $60 million in additional cash-flow to natural gas producers in 1976, based on wellhead prices averaging 90¢/Mcf. No changes are considered necessary at this time in the "new gas" royalty rate structure, which has an effective supplementary rate of 35% above a base price of 36¢/Mcf.

In addition, the Alberta Government will be making modifications to the regulations dealing with natural gas products, specifically pentanes, propane and butanes, recognizing that there are special problems associated with processing and marketing these commodities.

The existing Exploratory Drilling Incentive System will be expanded to stimulate and encourage further exploration drilling to find new reserves of both conventional crude oil and natural gas in order to protect the supply for future generations of Albertans. It is proposed to increase credits for class A footage from 40% to 50% and for class B footage from 30% to 37.5%. It is also proposed to recognize increased drilling costs that have occurred due to inflation since introduction of the system. It is anticipated that these changes will increase substantially the amount of drilling credits based on the 1974 rate of exploratory drilling. The effective date will be Jan. 1, 1975.

Further details respecting these five aspects of the Alberta Petroleum Exploration Plan of December 1974 will be outlined in subsequent meetings with representatives of the petroleum industry. Any legislative or regulatory changes required will be introduced as soon as possible to make the measures applicable retroactively, if necessary, to the effective dates.

ROYALTY RATE - OIL PRICE INCREASE

The Alberta Government intends to reduce its supplementary royalty rate on existing crude oil production as the price increases above $6.50/barrel. This reduction is necessary because the current royalty rate of 65% for a price over $6.50/barrel combined with the non-deductibility of royalties means that the producer in a taxable position will receive virtually no benefit from any future price increases. The extent of such a reduction will depend upon the timing of a general crude oil price increase; the amount of such an increase; and the anticipated levels of production. The Alberta Government welcomes discussion with the petroleum industry as to the extent of such a reduction in the supplementary royalty rate of "old oil" as the price increases above the average of $6.50/barrel at the wellhead and trusts the petroleum industry will work in co-operation with the Alberta Government to strive for increased prices of crude oil, having regard to the serious supply shortage facing Canadians within seven years as forecast by the National Energy Board.

In addition to these six main features of the Alberta Petroleum Exploration Plan of December 1974, the Alberta Government is pursuing certain other areas of concern. We are aware that a significant re-direction of United States risk drilling funds to exploration in the United States is a natural consequence of the U.S. energy shortage and its resultant Project Independence. In the short term, we are examining what steps the Alberta Government feasibly can take to assist those petroleum operators whose traditional sources of funds have substantially been diverted elsewhere. We have had some initial discussions along these lines and they will be pursued further in the coming weeks.

In the longer term, the Alberta Government intends to include in its own Corporate Tax and Incentive System provisions whereby a company not principally engaged in the oil and gas industry can be encouraged to invest funds in oil and gas exploration in Alberta. The Federal Government has failed completely to recognize in its personal and corporate income tax systems the essential need to provide incentives for all Canadians to invest risk capital in the petroleum industry and hence help ensure the future energy supplies of this country. This need for tax incentives is especially vital to the smaller, independent petroleum companies, many of which urgently require Canadian sources of risk investment to replace foreign funds no longer available to them. In contrast to such a short-sighted attitude on the part of the Federal Government, Alberta believes that it can provide incentives to develop new sources of risk capital for investment in the Alberta petroleum industry through the Alberta corporate tax system. Involvement in such investment by individuals is another objective of the provincial government.

It is becoming increasingly apparent that the Alberta Government's decision announced last spring to set up its own Corporation Tax and Incentive System is now even more necessary to off-set the dis-incentives of the Federal corporate tax system and their attack upon the province's resource royalty structure.

The aggregate effect of the Alberta Petroleum Exploration Plan of December 1974 according to our assessment is approximately double the positive impact for the petroleum industry as compared with the changes made by the Federal Government in its November 18 budget from its May 6 budget.

We call now upon the Federal Government to make further modifications in its budget provisions in recognition of the essential need in Canada to stimulate exploration, not just in Alberta, but also in the frontier areas under Federal lands in order to avert the impending energy shortage in Canada.

Having now made significant revisions and modifications for the industry in this province and to stimulate exploration in Alberta, the Alberta Government intends over the next few months to turn its attention to taking all action available to a provincial government to overcome the continued flow of Alberta's critical and declining reserves of conventional crude oil at below fair value. Alberta's objective for its citizens is higher prices for the oil owned by the people of the province.

Business Leaders back exploration plan

Commenting on Premier Lougheed's Alberta Petroleum Exploration Plan released December 12, 1974, Mr. R. W. Chapman, president, Alberta Chamber of Commerce stated: "The initial reaction of those business leaders contacted by the Alberta Chamber of Commerce in respect of the Statement by Premier Lougheed concerning the Alberta Petroleum Exploration Plan - December, 1974, has been most favourable and positive. Numerous business leaders have further commented upon the prudent judgment and interest of Premier Lougheed and his Government in making what is expected to be a substantial contribution toward hopefully returning the oil and gas industry to continuing progressive action and also the economy of the whole of the Province of Alberta to a more normal position.

The Alberta Chamber will hold a special meeting of its Executive Committee and key business leaders on Friday, Dec. 20, at which time it is expected that more detailed information as to the effects and consequences of this Plan will be known. The Alberta Chamber is expected to make a more specific statement following that particular meeting."

BILLBOARD

SAT. DEC. 14 & SAT. DEC. 21 - Christmas Gift Wrapping Booth at Grandin Shopping Centre from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., sponsored by the Alpha Theta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

TUES. DEC. 17 - The St. Albert Women's Institute will be holding their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. E. Grant, 25 Balmoral Drive at 8 p.m. There will be a Christmas gift exchange.

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TWO OF THE unseen angels from the Robert Rundle school, grade one students Cameron Gunn, 6 and Tammy Kerrison, 5, with some of the "white gifts" they and many other students at the school collected during the last 10 days. The presents will be given to the Kinettes for the Christmas hamper.

Call for installation of tourism ministry

The private sector of the Tourist industry represented by The Travel Industry Association of Alberta presented their Policy Statement to Provincial Cabinet Ministers on Dec. 4. The Ministers included: Hon. R. W. Dowling, Minister of Consumer Affairs, Responsible for Tourism; Hon. H. A. Schmid, Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation; Hon. C. Copithorne, Minister of Highways and Transport; Hon. Dr. A. Warrack, Minister of Lands and Forests; Hon. J. Adair, Minister Without Portfolio, Responsible for Rural Development; Hon. Dr. W. O. Backus, Minister of Public Works.

Forty-two TIALTA Members, representing a broad crossection of the tourist industry, stressed the need for a separate Minister of Tourism.

The need is becoming more and more evident as this burgeoning industry is predicted to surpass oil and agriculture in revenue production within the next 10 years.

The Provincial Parks Department was commended for the expansion and upgrading of existing parks but feels there should be a classification so that different activities and uses are permitted in different parks taking into consideration wild life and ecology. The special requirements of the handicapped and Senior citizens should be kept in mind in the design of parks.

The TIALTA Highway Policy brought the attention of the cabinet to the need for improved signing of junctions, secondary roads and tourist facilities and to the Maintenance and repair of Highway campsites and upgrading of secondary roads to pavement which will bring the traveller into lesser known parts of the Province.

The committee called for the completion of Highway 964 from Fairview extending to the B.C. Border as well as a new highway between Grande Cache and Grande Prairie to provide a link with tourist travel on the Alaska and MacKenzie Highways.

The historical significance of the Province was discussed and because the general public and visitors are becoming increasingly interested in history, TIALTA suggests that historic trails and sites be recognized and proclaimed as historic preserves and that original historic names be used.

The Association strongly endorses efforts to promote tourism within the Province as it is an industry whose primary resource is people. The tourist comes to Alberta, sees the attractions and when he leaves, his dollar is injected into the economy and the attractions remain, unlike other industries where the resources are removed.

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Christmas message

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Christmas is also a time to bring joy to the little children, to remind them that each Christmas day celebrates the birth of the Holy Child. Let us make this festive season a joyous one for them that they may have happy memories of Christmases past.

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The Christmas Hamper Depot, located at the Sturgeon Plaza in the former Heritage House premises, was alive with activity on Friday when the Gazette photographer stopped in to see how things were going. The Kinette Club members, who annually take on the project, were at work filling hampers which will be given to local families who are in need this Christmas. Food, gifts, cash and assorted items are welcome from residents and business firms from the St. Albert area, and school students are faithful contributors each year.

Popular dinner theatre returns to Calgary

Dinner Theatre returns to the Kinsmen Centre in Calgary this winter with a two month run of the recent Broadway hit musical "No, No, Nanette."

Randy Avery will stage and direct the show which has never before been produced in the dinner theatre concept. The production will star members of the Young Canadians Dinner Theatre Company.

"No, No, Nanette" will open Jan. 2 and will run through Feb. 23 with performances each Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

A special New Year's Eve preview and party will be held Dec. 31 -- two days before the opening of the show.

"No, No, Nanette" is set in the 1920s, and features such hit songs as "Tea for Two," "I Wanna be Happy,' and the title song.

The original show was written and presented in 1925 and ran more than 300 performances in New York and more than 600 performances in London.

The recent revival which featured a revised script and orchestrations premiered in Boston Nov. 3, 1970 before commencing its spectacular New York run.

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Albert Johnson, the Mad Trapper of Rat River, who was the subject of one of the largest manhunts in the Northwest Territories, is buried in Aklavik outside consecrated ground.

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In August 1938, Paul Schulte, a German missionary, flew his plane the Flying Cross from Churchill, Manitoba, to Arctic Bay, Northwest Territories, to evacuate a sick missionary. This was one of the first mercy flights in the Arctic Islands.

Books by U of A staff & grads

John J. Barr, MA'65, Dynasty: The Rise and Fall of Social Credit. McClelland and Stewart, 1974. In the words of the author, this book "tries to strip away the legends that have surrounded Social Credit far too long and to show what it was really like and how it held-then finally lost-its power." The party's history is traced from its rise during the early years of the Depression, through the years of Ernest Manning's leadership, to the party's last stand under Harry Strom between 1969 and 1971.

R. L. Gordon. BA'48, The River Gets Wider. Fitzhenry and Whiteside Limited, Toronto, 1974. A highly acclaimed first novel, this has been chosen by the Book of the Month Club as a Featured Alternate in Canada. It explores the enigmatic life of a prominent Canadian, through the remembrances of his family, friends, and associates, from his youth in Edmonton to his career as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to his trial for murder, with the overriding question; is he as high principled as he seems, or is he a charlatan, seduced by the idea of power?

After twenty years as Headmaster at St. John's-Ravenscourt school for boys in Winnipeg, Dick Gordon has decided to devote his full time to writing. He now lives in Summerland, British Columbia, and has had another novel accepted for publication.

W. C. Taylor, The Snows of Yesteryear. Holt, Rinehart and Winston of Canada Limited, Toronto, 1974.

This is a biography of J. Norman Collie, mountaineer and early explorer of the Canadian Rockies. It contains many photographs not previously published and seven maps prepared by Lillian Wonders, Sessional Lecturer in the Department of Geography. Dr. Taylor is Professor of Paediatrics at the Univerity.

Christopher Williams, Craftsmen of Necessity. Random House, New York, 1974.

Described by the publishers as "a handbook and a philosophical plea," the book focuses on the indigenous design the author found in various societies around the world where only materials available in the immediate environment are used. Christopher Williams is a graduate student in the Industrial Design Division of the Department of Art and Design. The text is illustrated throughout by photographs taken by his wife, Charlotte Williams.

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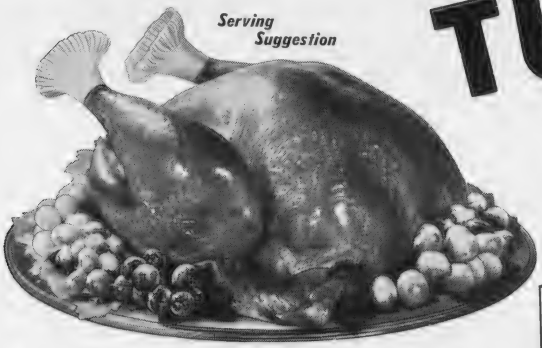

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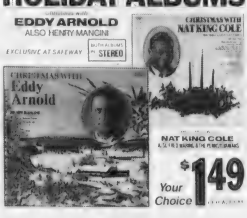

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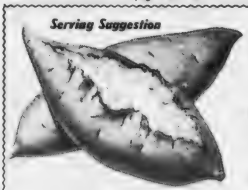

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Shoplifting not on increase in St. Albert

Checking over the statistics on shoplifting offences this Christmas St. Albert RCMP note an increase in the offences, but not in St. Albert.

"Shoplifting is on the increase," a spokesman for the RCMP said this week, "but only in the large centres and not in St. Albert."

The spokesman said that police in town have not had any complaints from managers of local shops about shoplifting, "but this does not mean that it is not going on," the spokesman commented.

He said that comparing St. Albert with other places there are not nearly as many complaints about crimes like shoplifting. He was referring to the overall pattern throughout the year, pointing out that such a low incidence of reported shoplifting was unusual for a town the size of St. Albert.

RCMP warn the public that when they take their Christmas shopping to their car in the parking lot to lock it away in the trunk and not to leave it exposed in the car windows even if the car door is locked. Gifts, the RCMP spokesman pointed out are more easily stolen this way when people are scurrying about from shop to shop selecting their presents with their car left behind in the parking lot.

Plans underway for Rodeo 114

Although the Kinsmen Rodeo for 1975 is over six months away, plans are already underway.

A spokesman for the Kinsmen told the Gazette that the Rodeo will be held June 13, 14 and 15 at the Rodeo Grounds. This will be the last year that the event will be staged at that location.

On June 13, rides on the midway will be half price for children under 12. There will be no admission charge and the grounds will be open from 6 p.m. until midnight.

On June 14 there will be two performances, one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

There will be one performance of the Rodeo on June 15th.

[illegible] of St. Albert Dieter H. Trosin has recently been assigned to Southeast Asia as a mechanic electrician with the Santa Fe Drilling Company, a division of Santa Fe International Corporation. Mr. Trosin will reside in Jakarta with his wife and three children.

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Historical Christmas unusual

CHRISTMAS DAY AT FORT WALSH, 1877

[Written by Ed. Barnett in 1937 at Calgary]

In thinking of the days when the Indians held sway over the western plains, a great many painful memories creep into a man's mind when he recalls the times that are past and gone and the men who held sway in shaping the destinies of this new country.

Major Walsh, the Commander of the Fort called after him was at that time an upstanding young man, somewhat pompous and proud but a born leader of men. Captain McIlree was a quiet, inoffensive young officer whose word of command and loud voice carried a great deal of influence in dealing with the Indians. Captain Denny, Captain Clark, Little Dickie and other famous characters were all there on this memorable day, Christmas, 1877, sixty years ago.

Indian breeds, bull whackers, horse thieves, desperadoes of all kinds, with guns and knives strapped to their hips sallied forth early in the morning and surrounded the Fort as they had been told that Christmas dinner would be served.

With the police it was a day of remembrance for they were far away from the society of friends and the old home; but to the Indians it was merely a feast day with lots of liquor thrown in later in the day.

On that memorable day all hands in the Fort contributed $5 each out of their wages. We had plum pudding, apricots fresh from the vineyards of California, evaporated apples, buffalo meat, venison cakes, all brought in by mule skinners from Benton on the Missouri River, through T. G. Baker Co., the chief traders of those early times. Then we had wild game of all kinds, and as much fish as we wanted to eat.

The Indians were not allowed into the Fort during the day, but were served with their dinner in the outside, where they had pitched their tents, and brought along their horses and ponies. But for the dance in the evening they were allowed within the inclosure as the Indians realized that this was a day of jollity and the young bucks and squaws were as anxious to dance as anybody. The officers were at one end of the great long barracks, the breeds in the middle and the Indians at the other end. Good feeling reigned supreme but sometimes a war whoop rang out and with the blood curdling yells of the mule skinners that fairly raised the roof.

The music was supplied by a couple of bull whackers with long hair and beady eyes, loaded with a good sample of Kentucky moonshine. But how they could shuffle that bow, and keep time with their feet.

Towards morning word came that Sitting Bull, who was outside the enclosure with a number of old braves, had taken on a new religious freak, and was starting a sun dance. This was the most dangerous turn that the Indians could indulge in as they often worked themselves up into a frenzy after a night of liquor.

Sitting Bull was in a dangerous mood as this was just after the Custer massacre when most of his friends had been killed, and he thought that the spirits were telling him that they would return if he fulfilled a certain mission. But the officers closed the gates of the Fort, the dance went on inside, as the young bucks and squaws were harmless, and the sun dance went on outside until the sun was above the horizon.

Fort Walsh had a setting among the hills with a creek and a high bank in front of it, which made very good protection from attack. It was set among the Cypress Hills which was the chief hunting ground of the Sioux and Crees, and they made a powerful combination. But the old Forts were almost impregnable provided the old Bloods were kept out.

After sunrise everything quieted down. The old Bloods departed on their horses and ponies, and the young bucks lay around exhausted with the dance which had lasted all night. Christmas Day, 1877, had been a great success, but all the officers have passed on to their reward. Only Ed. Barnett remains and a few men here and there whom I cannot keep track of. We were young boys in those days and that is the reason the memories of 60 years ago are painful as well as pleasant.

[Note: Ed. Barnett has now passed on.]

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Church & city conference invites registrations

Persons who care about what's happening in Canada's inner cities are invited to meet with others who share their concerns in a unique three-day Calgary conference on "Church and City," Dec. 29 to Jan. 1.

Sponsored by The University of Calgary branch of the Lutheran Student Movement the non-denominational conference is intended as a learning experience.

Conference participants will get to know and experience Calgary's inner city "through the soles of their feet" during one full day of walking tours. Among the inner city locations they'll visit will be the single men's and women's hostels, the Salvation Army, the Indian Friendship Centre, high-rise apartments and office buildings, city hall and the offices of city politicians, downtown hotels and bars, to name just a few.

Participants will also live in an inner city church throughout the conference and will on occasion sit down to meals with inner city residents.

"We want conference participants to see how people are helping other people in the city, but also how much more could be done," says Carl Onofrio, a U of C chaplain who is advisor to the Calgary branch of the Lutheran Student Movement.

Resource persons for discussion sessions will be two Calgarians deeply involved in inner city ministry, Rev. James Cheil, pastor of First Lutheran Church, and Rev. James Bragan, associate pastor of Knox United Church.

Inner city issues to be examined will include: the sacrifice of landmarks and neighborhoods for traffic and commercial development and the resultant displacement of residents; the lack of facilities "on a human scale" within the city core; the isolation of many of the people living in the inner city.

"The churches in general have fled to the suburbs, and their support is drawn mainly from suburban people," says Chaplain Onofrio.

"There is a lack of awareness within our churches of what is happening in the inner city and what potential problems could develop there, and we hope conference participants will come to realize it.

"We hope they'll see that it's important for the church to return to the inner city to influence what is going on there." Chaplain Onofrio said.

It is also hoped the coming meeting will be a model for future conferences devoted to looking at the church's involvement in inner city life.

Persons from as far away as Vancouver, Edmonton and Regina are expected to attend this regional meeting of the Lutheran Student Movement.

Further information about the conference may be obtained from First Lutheran Church, 266-5988, or Chaplain Carl Onofrio, U of C Chaplains' Association, 284-5451.

Just Christmas

Rev. J. E. McGrane

With the wonderful mild weather we have had the early part of the winter, the best for many years, it is hard to believe that it is Christmas again, but whatever the weather, we are happy again to celebrate this holy season. We know that conditions are not ideal in many parts of the world, and to many Christmas does not mean what it should because poverty and other conditions, nevertheless, by various means and charitable organizations if we wish, we, in the true spirit of Christmas, we may alleviate their condition. But for the nonce, we will not concentrate on world conditions, but JUST CHRISTMAS.

Christmas has had a great effect or impact on the whole world, Christian and non-Christian. To Christians it is the celebration of the Birth of the Son of God in the stable of Bethlehem and the commencement of the Christian era almost two thousand years ago. Others have considered Christ as a prophet or teacher. Be that as it may, today time is reckoned as before or after the Birth of Christ, B.C. or A.D. It is the founding of the Holy Family. That is why it is such a great day for children, such a wonderful family day. The very atmosphere seems different. In the spirit of Christmas we all seem more charitable to each other. It is a solemn and endearing time and it has a soothing influence upon the communities. We feel the grace of God and the most noble aspects of human nature are brought forward. Yes, it is JUST CHRISTMAS, but the world would not be the same without it.

Millions of lines have again been written at this time of the year concerning Christmas and last year a very fine tribute to Christmas was written by Patience Strong and it appeared in the Winter 1973 edition of "This England." It is as follows:

GLORY TO GOD

What is Christmas without the child, to make the message plain.

When the children sing their sweet old carols once again. The echoes of forgotten faith return to us through them. . . . as they lead us back again along the road to Bethlehem.

What is Christmas without a baby in a manger laid. Nothing but a merry farce, a foolish masquerade.

What is Christmas without the magic and the mystery ... That surround the drama of Our Lord's Nativity.

What is Christmas without the Christ, A throne without a king. He turns the tinsel into gold and hallows everything.

Suffer the child in you to live, and joyously to say, Glory to God in the highest.

On this great and Holy Day.

Heartbreak at Christmas

Dear Sir.

Every year, my job in Canada becomes a little bit harder, in spite of - or perhaps because of - our vast technological achievements.

You see, each year, I receive a larger number of heartbreaking letters from young folk who say they could manage without Christmas presents if only I could send Daddy back. My research shows that Daddy was in a fatal traffic accident, and it is very hard for a little one to understand how it is Daddy can go off to work, fishing, shopping etc. right as rain, but never come back.

Through the pages of your paper, may I ask for the help of all the drivers in your coverage area? We have just come through Safe Driving Week in Canada, and everybody has seen a barrage of safety messages. Please remember them, not only through the hustle and bustle of this holiday season, but all through 1975.

Then, I will be better able to concentrate on finding the kind of gifts that make up the more routine requests from our children. Let's have no more sad, desperate faces at Christmas time.

Wishing you and yours a very merry and safe Christmas!

Ho Ho Ho,
Santa Claus

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NEW YEAR'S EVE - 7:30 p.m. MAIN CHURCH
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New Year's Eve Family Celebration
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Putting Christ into Christmas - a true story

It has been said that we would do well to put Christ back into Christmas.

Surely one of the tragedies of our present day observance of Christmas is that we may fail to recognize, and so fail to receive, the Christ of Christmas.

But our failure to welcome Christ is not new. The New Testament tells us that when Jesus Christ came, "he came to his own and his own received him not." St. John 1:11

The Russian author, Leo Tolstoy, has left us the following story:

There was once a poor shoemaker named Martuin. He was very lonely and sought comfort in his Bible. As he read, Martuin thought that Jesus must have been lonely too. "How little people appreciated. How little did they realize the privilege of knowing him and having him as their friend."

Suddenly a voice called to him. "Martuin, look tomorrow into the street, I am coming." Martuin was sure that next day Jesus would pay a visit to his little shop.

All next day, Martuin was at the window, and because of this, he noticed many things he had never seen before.

Seeing a poor street sweeper staggering behind his broom, Martuin called him in and gave him a cup of tea and let him warm himself by the fire. Martuin told him what a great day it was - Jesus was coming to visit him.

Later, when a woman with a baby stood by the window, shivering with cold, Martuin brought them in and gave them food and a warm cloak against the wind. The day passed quickly. There were many poor visitors to the shoemaker's shop that day, all fed and comforted by Martuin's friendliness.

The night came and the street was empty. Jesus had not visited him as he promised. In his disappointment, Martuin turned to his Bible and read these words:

"I was hungry and you gave me food; thirsty and you gave me drink; naked and you clothed me."

Martuin was puzzled. "Jesus did not come," he said to himself, "how can I minister to Him?"

As he thought on the words, he seemed to see the faces of the street sweeper, the woman and her baby, and all the others. Then Martuin understood as he read these words:

"I tell you this: anything you did for one of my brothers, however humble, you did for me." St. Matthew 25:40.

A Christmas Message from St. Albert Parish council

In the face of slogans, pictures, jingles and fads, may we search first for God's Kingdom and righteousness with the sureness that all useful things will be added. All useful things will be added to our lives.

And may our love for Jesus lead us to want all good things for our neighbours.

Let us pray that we will all try to live the Christmas spirit now and all through the year.

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MICHELE BJORNSON (left) with french horn and Karen Kettles, trombone, wait patiently for their turn to perform the orchestral accompaniment to "Hymn to Joy," put on by Grade 7, 8 and 9 students of the Sir George Simpson school for the Christmas concert televised at the school last Friday.

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The start of modern exploration geophysics in northern Canada may be traced back to 1944, when Dr. A. W. Jolliffee of the Geological Survey of Canada carried out a search for uranium in the Great Bear Lake area, using three Geiger counters provided by the National Research Council.

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Forth-seven technical reports on the environmental and socio-economic effects of construction of a natural gas pipeline in the Mackenzie Valley have been published by the federal government. The research cost $15 million and was conducted through the Environmental-Social Program Northern Pipelines.

..."opening their treasures they offered Him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh"

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Christmas has come to mean many things! Often in our celebrations we miss the mystery, majesty, and essential meaning that it seeks to convey!

Christmas expresses two basic Truths and Actions: God's Message or Announcement; and the response with which the Heavens, the Earth, and men received this Truth!

1. First of all we have God's Announcement!

"Fear not: for, behold I bring you Good Tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day...a Saviour...which is Christ the Lord."

Christmas is Jesus' first step on His way of the Cross for a fallen humanity! "God come in human flesh." "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself." "Though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor." "He was made to be sin for us." Paul sums Christmas up in these words: "He that spared not His own Son, but gave Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him (through Jesus) freely give us all things."

Oh yes, all of history...men women, children of every age - waited, longed for this moment when God would intervene and bring them salvation! Christmas means that God has come...He has intervened...now offering to us the Good News that in Jesus we can be saved, set free, find peace with God, ourselves, and our fellowmen. This message strikes at the very roots of our needs...whether that need is sin, guilt, alcoholism, broken home, sickness, financial burdens to. He has come just for you. He wants to lead you up and out no matter what that burden or problem may be. It is true, my friend, that 'until and unless there is soul peace' we will never realize a solution for our own little world, say nothing of the crying needs of the world all around us. Christmas means just that, as Paul also states: "That in the fullness of time Jesus came, born of a woman (stooping down to where I am, and where I hurt) born under the law (anything and everything that would put me behind impossible bars or slavery) to redeem them that areunder the law: that we might become sons and children of God." Yes, great is the mystery of Godliness: God come in human flesh."

2. Secondly, what about my response to this Christmas Announcement?

The very Heavens resound with song and praise: "Suddenly there was with the Angel (who had brought this Message) a multitude of the Heavenly Host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace, Goodwill toward men." Every part of God's creation rises up to bring Him praise, honour, glory.

The Shepherds hear the Announcement, they respond immediately, came and found everything as it was told them, and "when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child."

The wisemen came...with their own eyes saw what God had given...kneeling at the manger they "...opening their treasures, offered Him gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh." Where, and when, did we get started giving gifts simply to each other..... whereas Christmas is our response of gratitude and gifts to Jesus for His great love and infinite Grace, giving to Him our hearts and of everything He has blessed us with, to be used as He says: "Inasmuch as you have done it to one of the least of My brethren, you have done it unto Me. I was hungry and you gave Me food: I was thirsty and you gave Me drink: I was a stranger, and you took Me in: naked, and you clothed Me: I was sick, and you visited Me: I was in prison, and you came to Me."

As you gather with your family, and loved ones, this Christmas, share with them the plight, ghastliness of world hunger...more than a million people will die in Bangladish this year unless Christmas giving is realized.. drought and hunger is ravaging large sections of Africa...the terrible hurricane Fifi has left thousands homeless and starving in the Honduras. My friend, hunger, sickness, need, is like an international plague, reaching up to our very back doors, threatening and challenging our own way of life and living. May our response be that of the wisemen..(using words coming to us out of the 'Third World) "...opening up the large supplies with which we have been blessed..we offer and share with them our bread...or milk...our porridge." This is what Christmas means, and is all about: "freely you have received...therefore freely give."

God grant you and yours a most Meaningful and Extended Christmas.

Pastor Ray Olson
St. Albert Evangelical Lutheran, St. Albert.
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District 3 to explore 4 day H.S. week

At the December 9 meeting of District #3, Dr. Bill Zielinski, superintendent reported on several items, among them was that the high school would like to explore the possibility of a four day week. The board members agreed that this possibility be explored. Dr. Zielinski also informed the board that evaluation of the Education Opportunities Fund and the Early Childhood Services, both new projects, would be made.

The Board voted to increase trustee honorariums at the regular board meeting held on Monday, December 9, 1974. The motion before the board to increase the rates from $25 to $30 was the subject of a great deal of discussion and was eventually carried by a 3 to 2 vote. Mr. Peter Freeman and Mrs. Sylvia Walsh opposed the motion. Mr. Freeman considered that although the increases may be justifiable, they should have been passed by the previous board. Mrs. Walsh felt that in some instances the increases were too high. Honorariums to trustees will now be as follows: meetings - trustees $30 (previously $25); meetings - chairman $40 (previously $30); conference honorarium, $50 a day with the addition of an expense allowance to cover travel and accommodation.

Chairman, Mr. Steve Sieben, reported that he and the vice-chairman, Mrs. Walsh, attended an ASTA seminar for chair persons on November 28 and 29. He said that both he and Mrs. Walsh found it beneficial.

Mr. Peter Freeman, reporting for the finance committee, informed the board that the committee would be meeting with the salary negotiations committee for an exchange of the initial brief.

Dismissal times for the Christmas holidays were discussed and will take place as follows on December 20: Vital Grandin, 1.55 p.m., Albert Lacombe, 2.10 p.m., Father Jan, 2.30 p.m., St. Albert High, 2.30 p.m.

The board considered a request for a school gymnasium to be used for a family party. The request was refused on the grounds that the facilities available were inadequate.

Staffing for the new Vincent J. Maloney School came up for discussion and Dr. Zielinski explained that he would like to advertise for a vice-principal in January. The new community core school is scheduled to open in September, 1975.

A group of interested parents had approached the superintendent with a request to establish a French-speaking kindergarten in the district. The board considered this matter and requested more details and a formal proposal from the group.

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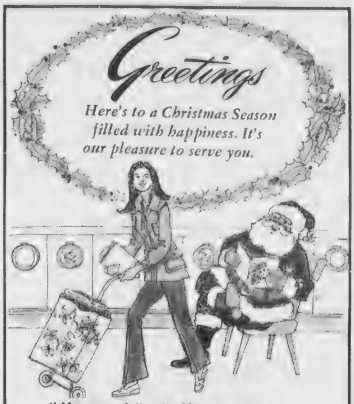

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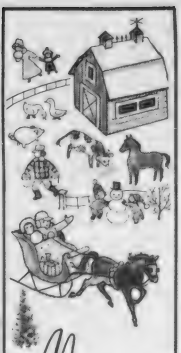
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DON SMITH of CFCW (left) hands the mike over to St. Albert MLA Ernie Jamison at the opening of Scott Rentals last Saturday. Ernie said the facility should be a great boon to the people of St. Albert and district. They'll be able to rent snowblowers to clean their driveways (if the snow ever comes) and added Ernie, they'll be able to rent anything from nuts to bolts.

Salvation Army Program

PROGRAM - 1974

SUNSET LODGE (SENIOR CITIZENS' HOME FOR WOMEN)

Christmas is for children and those who maintain a youthful spirit no matter what their age.

The ladies of Sunset Lodge will help Brigadier Gladys Dods, Captain Strickland and the staff put up festive decorations on Dec. 4, 1974. This will set the stage for visits from Young peoples' groups, children's choirs and clubs, familiar carols and seasonal entertainment.

The ladies love to have children visit - and the children love to come. Its a visit to Grandma's house many times over.

Highlighting all the special events is the ladies' own Christmas party, Dec. 18. Lots of goodies, gifts and a visit from Santa.

MEN'S SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE

The Men's Hostel has provided a home for thousands of homeless men during its long history in Edmonton. Care and concern are shown each of the residents throughout the year. At Christmas time Captain Robert Peacock and those associated with him have planned entertainment and festivities to help men feel something of the touch of "Home."

Bright decorations, special music, visiting young peoples' groups, choirs plus a personal gift to each man help to give the feeling of belonging.

A traditional dinner will be held on Thursday, Dec. 19, at 6:30 p.m. in The Moose Lodge, 142 Ave. and 142 St. (St. Albert Trail). Stuffed turkey and all the trimmings will be provided for over 250 men and, this year, for the first time "Homeless" ladies will be invited to come along too.

On Sunday, Dec. 22 the Young Peoples' Band of The Salvation Army Temple will present a Christmas program at 7 p.m. **BONNIE DOON (SENIOR CITIZEN'S HOME FOR MEN)**

Christmas time brings back fond memories to the men at Bonnie Doon. Christmases spent with the family and grandchildren. Memories of trees and presents, music in the air and the special something, that puts a twinkle in the eye and a smile on the face.

Major and Mrs. Harding and their helpers, plus the over 20 groups, who come to visit, will try to make Christmas '74 as memorable as those enjoyed in days gone by. The Special Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, Dec. 22.

FAMILY SERVICES

The continuing motto of the hard working members of Brigadier and Mrs. Cyril Frayn's group -- "Nobody knowingly forgotten."

Twelve hundred families including over 2,000 children look to The Army for their Christmas dinner.

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Names are already coming in and will continue to come in through the next three weeks.

The Family Services Officers and Staff will speak to school assemblies in December and receive gifts of canned goods and toys to be packed in hampers just prior to distribution before Christmas.

LEAGUE OF MERCY

The League of Mercy is an international Salvation Army group of men and women who give of their spare time to visit the sick, the aged and the sorrowing. In Edmonton, the League of Mercy visit regularly the patients of the auxiliary hospitals, nursing homes and shut-ins. On Dec. 10 at 10 a.m. the League of Mercy ladies will pack over 3,000 Sunshine Bags (bags of fruit and candies) to be delivered over the Christmas Season by the workers to the homes, hospitals and institutions.

CORRECTIONAL AND CHAPLAINCY SERVICES

Major and Mrs. Joe Winters and Major and Mrs. Ray Smith will endeavour to see that the Belmont Institution and the Fort Saskatchewan Gaol will not be missed this Christmas.

Treats and special carol services will highlight the Christmas activities of these officers as they try to help the prisoner and his family feel the true spirit of Christmas.

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Fort Good Hope in the Northwest Territories is the oldest settlement in the lower Mackenzie River Valley. It was established in 1805 by the North West Company as a fur-trading post.

Welcome

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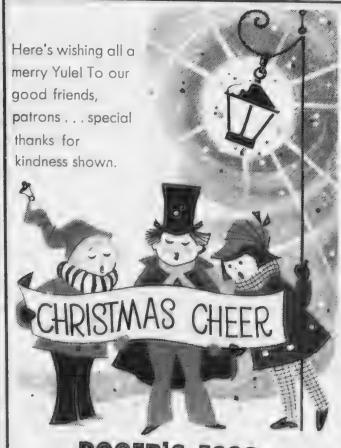

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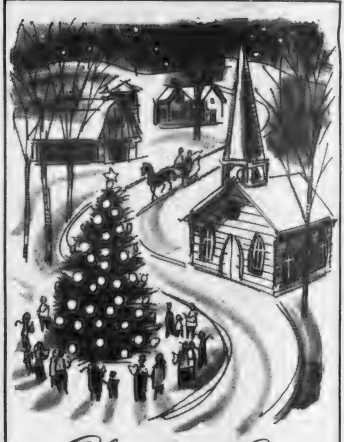

Christmas Joy!

Everyone! Join in the spirit of a very Happy Holiday with friends, family. For the pleasure of serving you, our heartfelt gratitude.

FROM MANAGEMENT & STAFF

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A Christmas message from M.L.A. Ernie Jamison

My warm wishes go out to the people of St. Albert and Sturgeon for a Joyous Christmas season with those near and dear to you and may 1975 be a year of true happiness. We can all be deeply glad that our land is at peace and we live in freedom and prosperity. The past three and one half years that I have represented the St. Albert Constituency in the Alberta Legislature have been most rewarding to me. I have tried my best and will continue to represent you in the future in a most meaningful way. Working with all kinds of people in all walks of life on so many subjects has broadened my outlook on life which I am thankful for and express my gratitude.

1975 looks to me to be a challenging year for all of us. A year to tighten our belts in order to beat inflation. A year that we ask our farmers to grow a little more and our Governments to wisely distribute our food wealth to the unfortunate peoples of the world. Demands from our labour force and those in business should be limited to our actual needs and not based on greed.

We have talked a lot about Peace on Earth; let's talk about it as something which would place humans in the benevolent role of stewards in this great province of Alberta. What a tremendous challenge that would offer. Think about it.

I welcome this opportunity to extend Season's Greetings to all of you.

Ernie Jamison,
MLA St. Albert Constituency

Christmas productions at Edmonton Library

Theatre 3 will present a children's classic by Lewis Carroll for its Christmas production. **ALICE THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS** is being presented in conjunction with the Alberta Contemporary Dance Theatre and will run in the Centennial Library Theatre in Edmonton from December 11 through 29.

Curtain times will be Tuesdays through Fridays at 8:30 p.m., Saturdays at 7 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the production are $3.50 and $4 for adults, and $1.75 and $2.75 for children. They can be obtained by calling the Theatre 3 office at 426-6870 or at the Box Office in McCauley Plaza. Tickets will also go on sale 20 minutes prior to showtime at the door if any available.

The Edmonton Public Library and the Edmonton Symphony Society will be holding a **Concert Preview** to the upcoming Edmonton Symphony Soloist and Chorus concert at the Jubilee Auditorium December 21 and 22.

The Concert Preview will be held in the Central Library Music Room at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, December 20. A guest speaker will be on hand to demonstrate and discuss the upcoming concert Everyone is welcome to attend and admission to the Preview is **free.**

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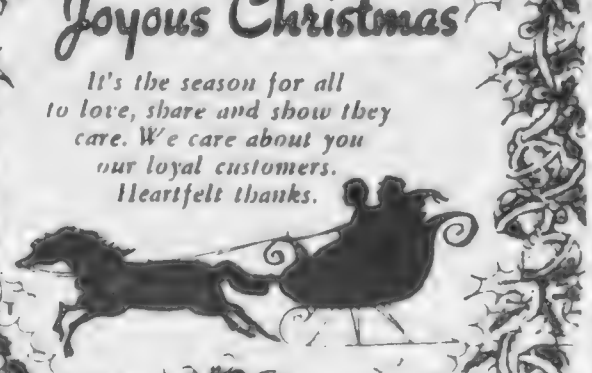

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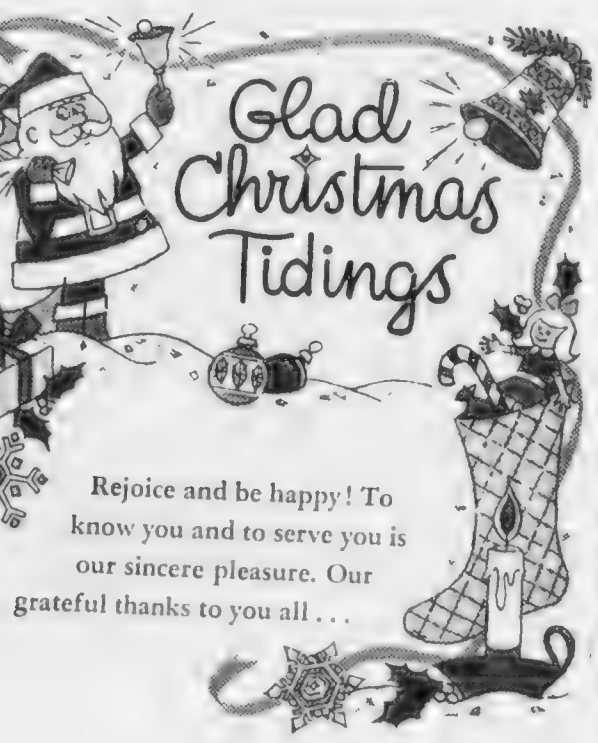

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Changes in Banff ski-touring procedures

Cross-country skiing and ski-touring procedures have been changed in Banff National Park.

"The new procedures will be easier for the park visitor to follow and will still provide for winter safety in the mountains," said Park Superintendent Tom Heggie this week.

Under the new procedures most skiers travelling on day trips at low elevations will not be required to register their trips with park staff.

Previously, all cross-country skiers and ski-tourers were required to register "in" and "out."

Registration will be necessary for all ski-tourers on trips exceeding 6,000 feet above sea level or five miles away from a public road. Registration is still necessary for overnight trips or trips involving mountain climbing.

"If a cross-country skier is planning a trip that does not require registration, but is inexperienced or concerned for his safety, he may register with park staff just to be on the safe side," Mr. Heggie said.

Ski-tourers may register at manned registration stations at the east park gate, the Banff townsite warden office and the Lake Louise warden office. Registration can also be done at self-registration stations at Mt. Norquay, Sunshine Village and Temple ski areas.

"A number of cross-country ski trails that do not require registration have been selected for visitor enjoyment. These trails have been marked with numbered symbol signs that correspond to a trail listing available from the Banff and Lake Louise warden offices and the staff at the east gate," he said.

The wonderful sounds of Christmas

The wonderful sounds of Christmas, carols, people rushing to and fro doing their shopping, friends coming to call, the tree and cards from friends combine to make the joys of the Season a precious reality. To the many less fortunate, this kind of Christmas is just a dream. Shut-ins, hospital patients, inmates of prisons, the homeless, destitute man or woman, the low-income family without the means to make a happy Christmas. The Salvation Army knows where these folk are. As always - the "Army" workers seek them out and make their dream of Christmas come true. You can help in this ministry of caring by sending your donation to The Salvation Army Christmas Cheer and Welfare Fund Headquarters, Room 604, 9990 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 1P6 ... or drop it into one of the Army's Kettles downtown or in the Malls around the city.

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"Keep the Kettle Boiling" When you hear the tinkle of bells on the streets it will be your cue to drop your donation in the 'pot' and keep them boiling to help The Salvation Army help 'others' this Christmas.

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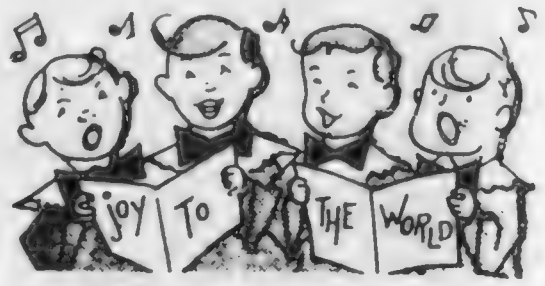

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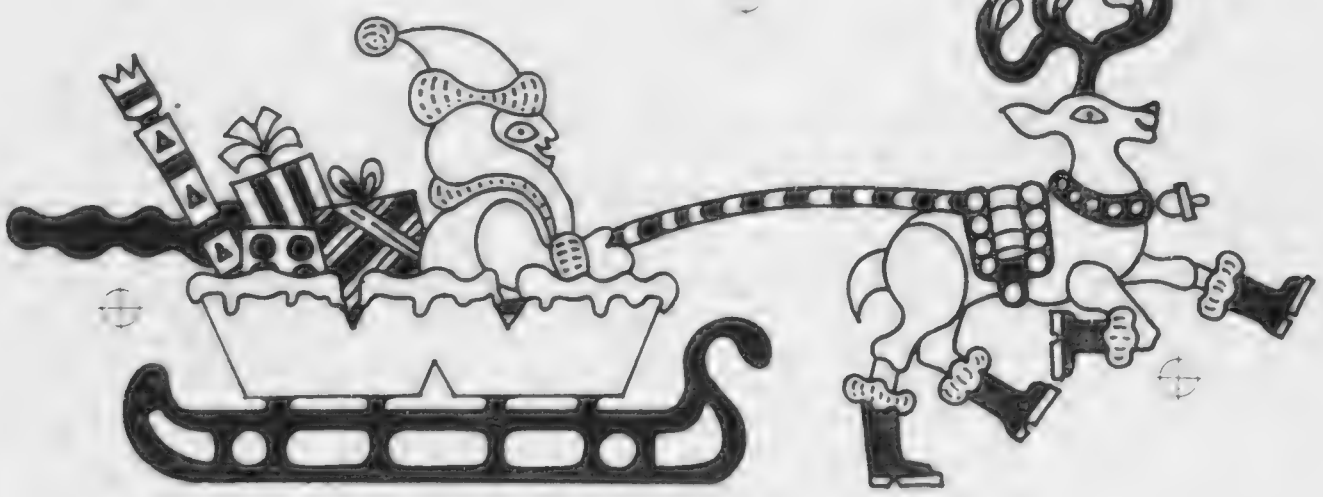

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W.I. selling RCMP centennial spoons

The Women's Institute has arranged to sell RCMP Centennial Spoons on the Grandin Mall, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week between 5 and 9 p.m. The spoons, which are most attractive, sell at $2.50 each and proceeds of sales will go towards the Senior Citizens Recreation Centre beside the curling rink.

W.I. members, senior citizen men and women and a goodly number of volunteers from the community have been working very hard and the building (formerly the Teen Centre on Mission Avenue) has taken on a completely new look.

Lorraine Moore who has spearheaded the project for the WI, along with President Nora Rouault reports wonderful response by way of items like a crystal chandelier, radio, an offer to make drapes and others, including four card tables from the Lady Lions.

A New Horizon grant to the Senior Citizens has provided dishes, a chesterfield suite, upholstered chairs and so on.

There is still work to be done prior to the January 19 opening of the centre, and volunteers would be welcome to assist with painting, work on the suspended ceiling and other chores.

The public is invited to drop in if they see any cars around and have a look at what has been done. People will be at work on quite a few days during the holiday season.

Laughing children

What is sweeter than a candy cane?

What is brighter than a Christmas tree?

What welcomes more warmly than a holly wreath?

What remains when Christmas ends?

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The light shining in the eyes of the ill and elderly -- because The Salvation Army remembered them -- is brighter than the lights twinkling on the tree.

The sincere "Merry Christmas and God bless you" of Salvation Army officers who open the doors of their centres to the lonely and homeless is a warmer welcome than the biggest holly wreath.

And, when all the decorations are packed away, the faith, hope and love that comes of sharing with others remains to strengthen us for the new year. Let us share with the less fortunate of our community by supporting The Salvation Army so that it may continue to bring the joy and true meaning of Christmas to those in need.

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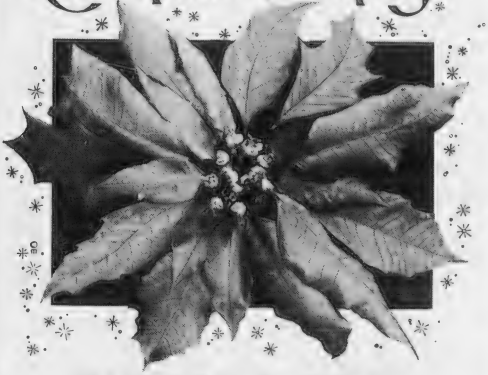

Our wish is simple and sincere. May the holiday bring gladness to you all. Thanks to everyone.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

.....HAPPY NEW YEAR!

FROM THE MANAGEMENT & STAFF AT

MACLEODS

GRANDIN SHOPPERS PARK MALL

TWO ST. ALBERT girls Joy Byers, 15, (left) and Donna Heidinger, 15, spent a busy day at the opening December 14 of Scott Rentals located at 6b Riel Drive where they looked after customers who had come in from the cold and gave them a helping of coffee and doughnuts.

Guild plans workshops in puppetry

In response to a number of requests during the fall term, the Arts and Crafts Guild is planning a two-day workshop in puppetry for adults on Saturday, Jan. 18 and Sunday, Jan. 19. The workshop will be led by Don Mills, who has taught children's puppetry at the Guild for the past two years and has given numerous puppet workshops throughout the province as well as being an active puppeteer.

The local workshop is intended for adults and high school students and will cover all types of puppets, their construction and operation, as well as aspects of scripting and performance. Attention will be given to the history of puppets and their various use today. Puppetry is an individual's art and workshop participants will be encouraged to create their own unique puppets to take home.

Teen-agers will be interested in another workshop planned for Friday evening, Jan. 11, and all day Saturday, Jan. 12. Mrs. Linda MacPhee will be conducting a workshop at that time on the making of jewellery using such materials as copper wire, metal, beads of various kinds, seeds, nuts, clay etc. Members of her recently completed creative crafts class at the Guild were particularly interested in this craft. Adults, of course, are also welcome.

The fee for each workshop is $10 with most supplies provided. A list of additional equipment such as scissors, etc., will be forwarded to participants. Registrations should be mailed no later than Dec. 29 to: The St. Albert Arts and Crafts Guild, Box 5, St. Albert. Additional information can be obtained by calling the class co-ordinator at 459-7344.

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Writings of early Scandinavian Vikings show that they met Dorset Eskimo people about the year 1008.

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In 1913 two Catholic priests were brutally murdered in the Northwest Territories. Word of the slaying did not reach the Mounted Police in Edmonton until May 1915 when two constables were sent north to search out and apprehend the murderers. They returned in August 1917 with two Eskimos, Sinnisiak and Uluksak. Four years after the crime they were found guilty and sentenced to death. However, the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment to be served in the North.

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Holiday Season

AND A HAPPY

New Year

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Summer school in Rome

For the ninth successive year, the department of classics at the University of Alberta is offering an opportunity to explore the past through a summer school in Rome.

This year the Classical Association of Canada has endorsed the course and has written each classics department in the country requesting that all students interested in classical literature and ancient history be made aware of the opportunity to study in Italy using the facilities of the British School of Archaeology at Rome.

President L. E. Woodbury of the University of Toronto says he is hopeful that the University of Alberta summer session may become the basis of regular use by all Canadian universities of the facilities offered for study and research in art, archaeology, classics and history.

The course for next summer, Roman Archaeology and Civilization, runs from July 2 to August 6.

Conducted by Dr. R. C. Smith, professor of classics at the U of A, the course will survey the history and culture of Rome through a study of famous Roman sites including the Forum, the Colosseum, the Palatine Hill and the villa of Hadrian. A nine day trip to southern Italy will include visits to Pompeii, Capri, Taranto, Naples and Benevento, while shorter trips will be made to the ancient port of Ostia and north to the famous Etruscan tombs.

Designed to allow students a first-hand opportunity of studying the culture and history of Italy, the course will provide time for both private study and general sightseeing. Due to a number of extra sessions, however, the course carries a full year's credit equal to regular U of A summer courses.

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Back to England for early education

The pursuit of knowledge will take some University of Alberta students to England during the summer of 1975.

Recent interest in that country's primary schools has prompted the university to offer a course designed for persons interested in early childhood education.

The course, which will be held from June 27 to July 18, can be taken for credit by senior undergraduate and graduate students. It is also open to other interested persons receiving consent from the department of elementary education at the University of Alberta.

An orientation period of two or three days on campus will precede the departure for England.

The course will enable participants to observe and become involved in a variety of programs and activities related to educational services for young children in England. Tours of nursery and infant schools, colleges of education, teachers' centres, adventure playgrounds, national organizations and some special projects will be conducted.

Opportunities for an exchange of ideas with counterparts in the English system will be arranged through various presentations, seminars and workshops.

About $540 will be assessed for arrangements in England to include educational activities, room and board, travel and some social events.

Financial support may be available to some students through the Early Childhood Education Council of the Alberta Teachers' Association.

For more information, please contact Ron Thomas at 432-4201 (69).

A True Story

Brian Pugle, a division construction supervisor with the British Columbia Telephone Company, narrowly missed being seriously injured while driving on the Hart Highway in the McLeod Lake area.

As he slowed for an approaching curve in the road ahead, a bull moose stepped out of the willows alongside the road onto the road and about 70 feet in front of the car he was driving. Brian says "I knew I couldn't avoid the moose, so I thought I would try to go under him. I had the brake pedal pushed to the floor boards and I locked the steering wheel with my left arm and hand to hold the car straight and ducked below the dash for protection. The speed of the car was approximately 55 m.p.h."

This action is what saved Brian. The car went under the moose's belly, flipped him up over the car and as he went he shattered the windshield, punched the roof flat which in turn popped out the rear window and covered Brian and the car interior with fractured and slivered glass. The moose flopped down onto the road and as Brian got out of his car, the moose got up on his feet, shook himself, and ambled off back into the bush. Brian received minor cuts and scratches to his hands.

The sequel to this story is that a Loomis truck following along behind Brian had to swerve to the left in order to avoid a collision with Mrs. moose, who stepped onto the road after Brian went by.

As for the car, which had only five thousand miles on it, Brian was able to drive to Windy Point with no trouble. Not even a flat tire.

The moral of the story is obvious.

It is a clear case of: Know the emergency, understand the action and take defensive measures. Any of the half-million Canadians who have completed a defensive driving course will know that!

-From Canada Safety.

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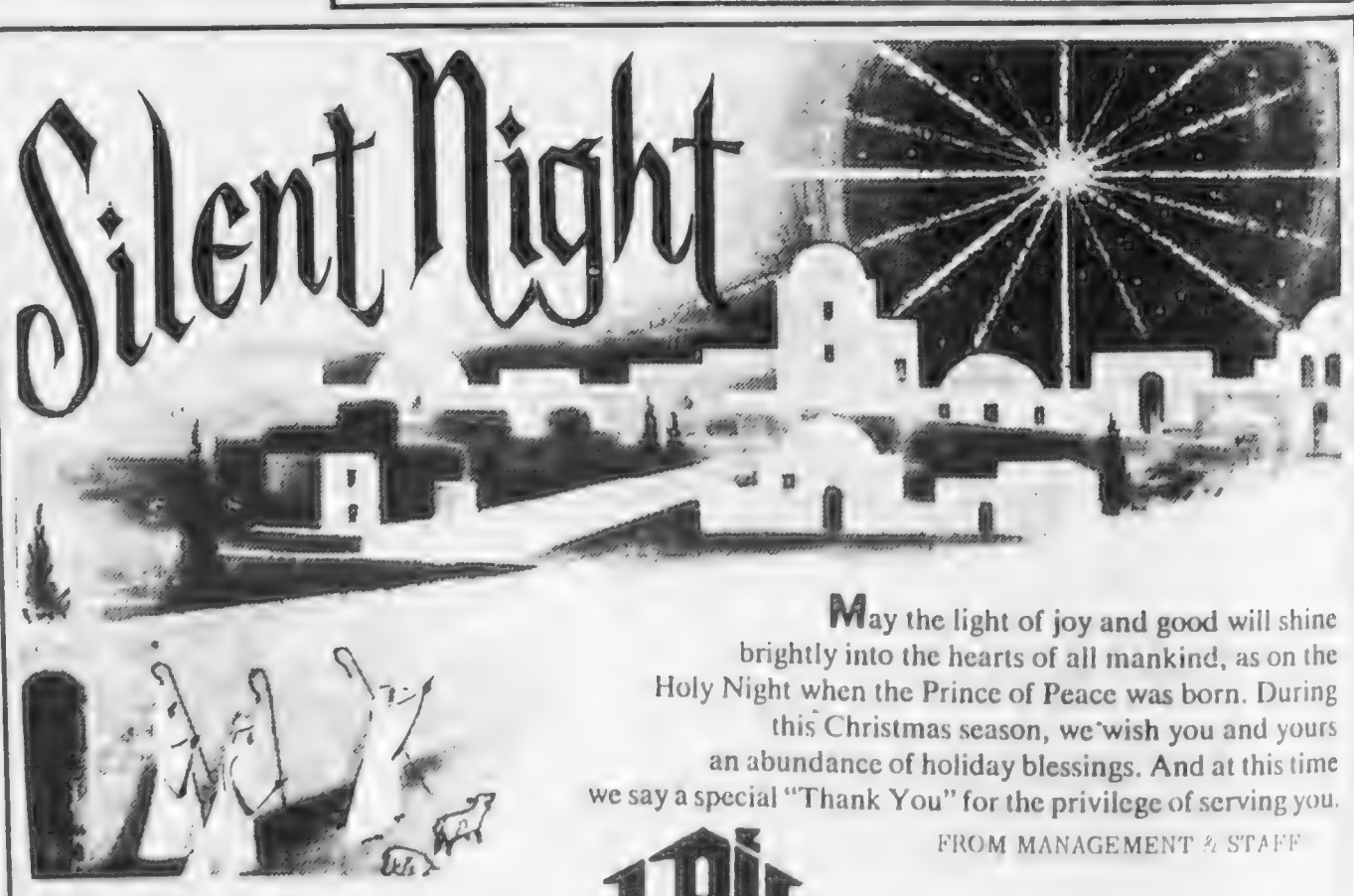

May the light of joy and good will shine brightly into the hearts of all mankind, as on the Holy Night when the Prince of Peace was born. During this Christmas season, we wish you and yours an abundance of holiday blessings. And at this time we say a special "Thank You" for the privilege of serving you.

FROM MANAGEMENT & STAFF

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Things new at Sturgeon General

Very shortly hospital laboratory technologists will begin doing their own blood typing and cross-matching of blood. Up till now this service has been performed by the Canadian Red Cross. Other innovations include performing autopsies and spinal disc removals. The latter has been made possible by newly acquired orthopedic instruments and no longer will it be necessary to transfer patients to Edmonton hospitals for this purpose.

Mr. Kyoung W. Kim has been named the new Chief Therapist and two new specialists have been added to the medical staff. These are Dr. Rajendra Narang, an orthopedic surgeon and Dr. George Kubac, a cardiologist.

Necessary electrical work has been completed to make possible the use of the paging system to play soft instrumental music throughout the hospital. Reactions of the patients and staff members will be noted and if the music is well received, it will become a regular feature of the hospital.

Five year old Paul Brunelle had the thrill of his life when he got his hook into this big one. The Jack fish measured 30 inches long and weighed seven pounds. Paul was ice fishing with his father last week when he made the catch in the Sturgeon River. They were about half a mile downstream from the Brunelle farm on Big Lake. Local fishermen and fellows from the Imperial Oil crews have been enjoying the fine fishing weather and the very cold fish over the past two weeks.

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Mr. Sanderson said that although retail prices vary from store to store, Carnation Instant Skim Milk Powder is now widely available for less than half the price per quart of fluid whole milk. A family of four, consuming 10 quarts of milk a week, could save over $100. per year by using instant milk instead of fluid. If you prefer the taste of whole milk you can mix liquid instant milk with your regular milk to get rich, whole milk flavour, and still save on your milk bill.

Nutritionally, instant milk has all the proteins, riboflavin and calcium of regular milk, and some brands such as Carnation are fortified with vitamins A and D. An 8 ounce glass of instant milk has only 81 calories, about half as many as fresh, whole milk. The nutritional aspects of instant milk were noted in a report by the Food Prices Review Board in March of 1974, which stated that ". . . it is recognized that dry skim milk is by far the cheapest source of high quality animal protein. . ." and the report recommended greater use of this product by Canadians.

Mr. Sanderson said instant milk tastes best after being refrigerated overnight. Reconstituted, instant milk can be used just like regular milk for cooking and baking, and it also whips for lighter-flavoured desserts and toppings.

"Instant milk is one of the few bright spots on a housewife's shopping-list these days," said Mr. Sanderson. "It can be stored for a long time, it's nutritionally balanced, it's in abundant supply at the moment, and above all it can save you a lot of money on your food bill."

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

By Pat Doerksen
District Home Economist

Have you done all of your Christmas shopping yet? No? Neither have I. The number of shopping days before Christmas is limited so if you haven't begun to plan your Christmas gifts you had better start now.

Don't worry! Christmas shopping can sound a lot more complicated than it really is. When you plan your shopping spree carefully, it can be a lot of fun.

The people from Consumer and Corporate Affairs strongly suggests that before you even visit a store, make a list of the people for whom you are to buy gifts, and decide on the amount of money you want to spend on each one.

This planned approach to Christmas shopping will, if you follow it closely simplify your job. But don't forget: ONCE YOU'VE COMPILED YOUR LIST, STICK TO IT!!

Many people have a tendency to over-spend at Christmas time, this resulting in bills which keep coming until well into the spring.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

For the tiny tot: mobile, teethers, rattle, rubber squeeze toy.

The seven to 15 month old child: large ball, rolling toy, plush animal, rubber squeeze toy, toy in several parts that fit together.

The one to two year old: simple vinyl or soft rubber doll or animal, a game of blocks in its simplest form.

The pre-schooler: scooter and other riding toys, climbing apparatus, swings, see-saw, car, truck and other vehicles, simple construction game, simple puzzle, art materials such as pencils, chalk, modelling clay, musical instrument, illustrated book, slate and chalk.

The Kindergartener: Skipping ropes, ball set, scooter, tricycle, skates, sled, tobogan, doll, car, art materials.

The Elementary school pupil: hand puppet, educational game, junior construction set, handicraft kit, colouring book, educational card game, doctors' or nurses' kit, mechanical design device, Meccano.

The Pre-Teen: musical instrument, senior construction game, scientific instruments for beginners, model kit, (planes, boats, cars), sewing embroidery and knitting articles, articles for pyrogravure, woodworking kit, designing and painting kit, sports equipment for baseball, hockey, lacrosse, etc.

The Teen-ager: record, poster, sportswear, chain and medallion, charm bracelet, sports equipment (tennis racket, skates, roller skates, skis, ski boots), games such as Scrabble, Monopoly, Rummoli or Clue, puzzles, transistor radio.

The Canadian Toy Testing Council issues the following words of wisdom as guides for toy selection and buying:

Keep in mind that children's play is not aimless amusement. It is their **work**. It is purposeful and creative - an outlet for self-expression. Through play, children learn about themselves, each other and the world in which they live. They explore, experiment, ask questions and discover answers. They grow physically, socially and intellectually. Toys are their **tools.**

WILL IT BE FUN, RIGHT NOW?

To be a success a toy must fit into the child's immediate world - and that world includes his imagination. What are his current interests and abilities? Will the toy be challenging? Can he enjoy it with others?

WILL IT CONTINUE TO BE FUN?

Some toys are seasonal - or topical. Others are basics such as blocks, cars and trucks, dolls, crayons, paper and paste. They can be used in countless ways at different ages and stages. A toy that "grows" with the child is always a sound investment. A good toy will also stimulate new interests and ideas.

IS IT SUITABLE?

Is the toy for the right age? Can the child manage the size easily? Is there sufficient challenge - but not more than the child can meet? A toy that is too complicated is frustrating and may cause a child to lose interest. Is adult supervision needed and willingly available?

IS IT SAFE?

Federal legislation now sets basic standards for safety in toys, but no law can replace parental responsibility and common sense. Can an infant toy be mouthed safely? Are bolts and screws firmly attached? Can axles or sharp insides become dangerously exposed? Will the child use the toy as intended?

DOES IT WORK?

A good toy must function properly. Does it do what it is supposed to do? Are there enough pieces? Do moving parts function well? Are instructions clear? Are additional supplies needed?

WILL IT LAST?

A toy should be sturdy enough to withstand normal use - and even possible abuse. If for outdoors, will it take weathering? Is it washable? Are materials and workmanship of good quality? Will it break easily? How will the toy look after many hours of play?

To get the best value for your toy buying dollar:

THINK BEFORE YOU BUY

Will the toy be used a few hours or years, by one child or many? Will it extend the play value of existing toys? Can it be passed along to a younger child?

Are replacement parts available? Can accessories or additional units be added later?

SHOP AROUND

Prices vary from store to store. Compare quality and price to determine "best buy."

If a toy breaks under normal use, return it. If it seems unsafe, write the Canada Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

A well chosen toy is a good investment. It provides joyment and contributes the child's total development.

GIFTS FOR ADULTS

Choosing gifts for adults always seems harder because you are continually wondering what their particular interests are. For example, what should you give grandmother? And Dad who has everything he needs?

For Mom: scarves, gloves, store gift vouchers, perfumes, beauty products, jewellery, combination pyjamas and housecoat, kitchen appliances, indoor clothing, painting, cigarette holder, decorations, fondue set, nutcrackers, ornamental candles candlesticks, kitchen clock, indoor plants (poinsettias), miniature garden tools, table napkin holder, salad bowls, perma press tablecloth, shower curtain, fancy dishtowels, bedside lamp, spice rack, set of saucepans, cheese board, popcorn popper, electric knife, electric blanket, bathroom spacesaver, pinking shears, sewing articles, sports equipment, bedside clock, travelling-case.

Even if we suggest household articles for mother's gifts, she'd probably prefer receiving personal articles. This is one time of the year you can spoil her. Don't miss the opportunity.

For Dad: valet, store gift voucher, gloves, scarf, hat or beret, dressing gown, slippers, hobby tools, toilet articles, electric razor, umbrella, shoe cleaning kit, set of suitcases, barometer, keyholder, wallet, toilet kit, lighter, pipestand, tobacco jar, ashtray, portable bar, ice bucket, bottle-holder, decanter and drinking glasses, exercise bicycle, camping accessories, sports equipment, binoculars, portable radio, camera or photographic supplies, car accessories.

Big Sister: perfume, gloves, scarves, charm bracelet, sports equipment, records, books, sportswear, posters, jewellery, night-wear, slippers, purse, transistor radio.

Big Brother: records, books, transistor radio, posters, slippers, night-wear, sportswear, sports goods, toilet kit, wallet, shoe-cleaning kit.

Grandma: puzzles, crossword puzzle books, wool and knitting needles, gift voucher, subscription to a golden age magazine, handbag, adjustable loom for quilting, framed photos of the grandchildren, books and magazines, shawl, scarf, chocolates, nightstand, movie or theatre tickets, indoor plants seeds.

Grandpa: tobacco pouch, pipe, gift voucher, socks, books, gardening tools, fishing rod, fishing gear, hobby tools, tickets to go to his favourite sports event, scarf, sweater, slippers.

This list is only a series of suggestions for those of you who are hard put to choose a gift.

We hope that this will make your Christmas shopping easier.

More mileage for furs

By Pat Doerksen
District Home Economist

Whether you get a new fur coat for Christmas, or buy one as an investment in personal comfort, you'll want it to look its best for as long as possible. Consumer Contact talked to furriers late last fall and came up with 10 tips that may help you get the longest run for your money.

When a fur item gets wet in either snow or sleet never dry it near heat. Hang it on a strong wooden or plastic hanger in a cool area.

When getting in and out of cars, be sure the hem of your coat does not drag through the salt slush.

Never apply perfume directly to furs.

If liquor is accidently spilled on fur, remove it immediately with a water-dampened cloth.

If a fur is accidently burned by a cigarette or a cigar, don't play amateur furrier - take it to an expert as soon as possible.

Never apply an iron to a wrinkled lining. Hang the coat on a sturdy hangar in a cool place and let the wrinkles fall out.

Never hang a fur item in direct sunlight - fur shades can fade.

Never hang a fur coat or jacket on a metal hook. Of there aren't any sturdy hangers available, place the article over the back of a chair using the top of the chair-back to support the shoulders of the coat or jacket.

It is a good idea to have your fur garment cleaned before storing. Just like everything else - people, furniture and cars - furs pick up dirt, soil and oil film from the atmosphere.

If you are storing your fur at home, never put it in a plastic bag. Instead, take a piece of thin cloth and hang it from the hook in the top of the hanger, allowing it to fall down both in front and the back of the garment. Leave the cloth open at each side so as not to build up static electricity and therefore heat in the fur.

Want to brighten up your room?

By Pat Prymak,
District Home Economist

During these long winter days, many of you may be looking around your homes, thinking you would like to give it a face lifting. Probably the most exciting and inexpensive way is to wallpaper one or more walls of a room.

There are several types of wallpapers on the market. The pre-pasted are easiest to apply. You merely draw the roll through a pan of water and apply it to the wall, matching the pattern. When it has dried a little, trim the top and bottom with a razor or sharp knife.

The dry strippable, pre-pasted paper is usually a little more expensive but it is also **more durable**. When you wish to redecorate you can remove the paper intact, by loosening one corner and pulling off the whole sheet. The wall underneath is undamaged and theoretically you could hang the paper again in another room. The wet strippable types are usually less costly but present a little more difficulty when you wish to remove them. Usually the wet strippable paper is removed by soaking the paper until it softens and partially disintegrates. The mesh backing can then be easily removed later.

If you have decided to paper an area, look through the various sample books. Select several suitable ones and take the book home in order to see how the paper will harmonize with the patterns and colors in your room.

Planning a new home?

By Pat Prymak,
District Home Economist

Are you planning to build or remodel within the next year or two? Now is the time to do some serious planning. Home designers estimate it takes about two years to collect ideas and properly plan a home. Would you like some help in this undertaking?

Our department offers a Home Planning Service in which we can assist you in working out a suitable floor plan for your particular situation and give information about finishing materials color schemes and decorating ideas. Rural families often have a problem finding a home designed for their needs. Usually there is little or no provision for the storage of outer work clothing or a wash-up area near the back entry. Also, most farmers need an office area incorporated somewhere in the plan.

If there is sufficient interest in any one area of the MD of Sturgeon, a Home Building School can be arranged. This consists of a two-day workshop in which the individuals actually draw their own floor plan, the interior and exterior design features. If you are interested, please contact me immediately and plans could be made for a workshop during March or early April.

Change in phone number

By Wally Klatt
District Agriculturist.

Please take note that effective December 21, 1974, our telephone number will be 939-4351.

MORINVILLE MEMOS

By Marilyn Pelletier

The United Church Sunday School Christmas concert was enjoyed by all. The children were pleased to see Santa, who handed out goodies to them all. Thanks to all the people who volunteered their time and a special thanks to the following businesses who gave their support - Canada Packers, Morinville IGA, Nick's Auto Body, Butt's Shell Station, McGinnis Realty, Quinn's Plumbing and Heating, Plains Western, Paul's Confectionary, Macleod's, Butt's Auto Body, Anne's Par-T-Kitchen, Drayden Insurance, Morinville Hardware, Morinville Drug Store, Morinville Bakery, Toni's Variety, Super "A" Foods, Mr. P. E. Brochu, Calders Agency, Ray's Welding, Marcella's Beauty Salon, Mrs. A. Gibeault, Chalifoux's M & M Store.

On Dec. 8, the Legion was the scene of the Foster Parents Children's Xmas party. A fun time was had by all. Mr. Art Browatzki showed a childrens film. A raffle was held and the winning prize of an ash tray stand was won by Carrie Rockwell. The second prize of a set of Heidleberg glasses were won by Mr. Art Krauskopf. The association would like to thank all the people who helped them during the past year.

An Information Rally of the French Canadian Association of Alberta is to be held in Morinville on March 16, 1975. A day that can't be missed. So mark your calendars and reserve that day.

In the Dec. 4 edition of the Gazette under Legion Ramblings, Craig's Manufacturing Ltd. was inadvertently omitted under wreath donations by local businesses. Our apologies for this error.

There will be a United Church candlelight service on Dec. 24 at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Centre.

Come January a First Aid course will be taught here in Morinville.

We are proud that 12 of our Morinville Girl Guides have passed their emergency first aid course. Congratulations girls. .

Volunteers are needed in forming an emergency ambulance, rescue and first aid service in Morinville and area.

Can you save your child's life if need be?? Its a disgrace that in a town the size of Morinville no one showed up at the First Aid meeting. If 12 Girl Guides can pass an emergency course, surely we should get some participation from the adults in this town and surrounding district. Its a course well worth taking, and what you learn from it could save a life. Give these fine people a call now, and take part. Mrs. Gwen Knoll at 256-2072 or Mrs. Clara Casavant 256-3246.

The Central Sturgeon Ag. Society entertainment and fund raising committee decided at the Thursday night meeting that the Ag Society would hold a skateathon on Sunday, Feb. 2, 1975 at Heritage Lake. All particulars will follow in a later issue. Come on girls bet your ole man an evening on the town that you can do more laps than he can. All you have to do girls is get some sponsors.

This is the last edition of the paper before January 8 so just the reminders regarding the Morinville Legion New Year's Eve party and also the Frolic to be held in the Rec. Centre. Tickets are still available.

The writer would like to take this opportunity to wish all friends, neighbors and readers Season's Greetings, and a reminder that my new number will be 939-4741.

MORINVILLE LIBRARY

The librarians and the library board wish all their readers a very Happy Christmas. The library will be open Monday the 23rd but will be closed for the rest of the week. It will be open again on Monday the 30th and will re-open as usual on Jan. 2nd.

Morinville Seniors enjoy Christmas party

On Dec. 6 the Senior Citizens enjoyed their Christmas party at the Rendezvous Clubhouse. A good crowd turned out.

Mrs. Laura Kieser started us on her fun games. Everyone enjoys taking part in these and the first game winners gave us Miss Cinderella and Prince Charming for the evening, Mrs. Carrie Rockwell and Mr. Oswald Chevalier. For a break wine and cheese were served.

We then continued our evening by playing whist, 11 tables were occupied. The prize winners for the ladies were: 1st Mrs. Margaret Vandaele, 2nd Mrs. Kenny Detannacour and the booby prize was given to Mrs. Jane Nouwen. For the men 1st prize Mr. Gerard Rousseau, 2nd Mr. Clarence Steffes and the booby went to Mr. Oswald Chevalier. The door prize went to Mrs. Marge Rockwell.

A delicious lunch was served and enjoyed by all as we sat and conversed with our neighbors.

We wish to thank most sincerely all those who contributed towards the lunch either by cash or food.

Some of our members were absent from our party due to illness. Our Merry Christmas wishes go out to Mrs. Hermina Houle in the Sturgeon General Hospital, Mrs. Clarice Beaupre; Mrs. Irene Golden and Mr. Romuald Detannacour at home.

Our Wednesday afternoon amusements will resume on Jan. 8th.

Les Femmes Chretiennes held their monthly meeting Dec. 10. After the prayers a short business session was held and then we enjoyed our Christmas party. Quizzes, games to test our knowledge and speed tests were enjoyed The winners of these were Father Primeau, Mrs. Simone Gervais, Mrs. Rollande Himschoot and Mrs. Rachel Bulger. Dorothy Daignault won the door prize.

Gifts were presented to Mrs. Germaine Beland, Mrs. Gabrielle Ricard, and Mrs. Simone Gervais, our past members on the council. Mrs. Yvette Tellier was also remembered for her very capable help and contribution when she was with us. Unable to attend our party her gift will be sent to her.

Father Primeau was then presented with a gift, a beautiful serving tray.

A token of our thanks and appreciation for his goodwill and kindness when he comes to open up the Centre at our monthly meetings was sent to Mr. Lucien Beaupre.

Gifts were then exchanged and a delicious lunch was served.

Many thanks to Mrs Gabie Morin and to Mrs Rachel Bulger who organized the party, and to Mrs. Germaine Beland who set up a pretty little Christmas tree.

Attention! Don't forget our annual wine and cheese party January 25, at the Centre. Everyone is welcome Merry Christmas to all.

Board of Trade plans Development meeting

The Morinville Board of Trade will be holding its regular monthly meeting on Jan. 6, 1975. However, the usual format has been deferred to February as there will be several guest speakers in attendance.

It is anticipated that the following will be addressing the meeting - Rene LeBlanc, field representative of the Alberta Chamber of Commerce; Jim Wright, northern supervisor, regional services Department of Industry and Commerce and Vic Hartfield, Edmonton rural representative, regional services, Pat Patterson, northern co-ordinator for the Main Street Alberta program, Devonian Foundation.

Mr. LeBlanc will be presenting a film from Norwich Insurance which shows the Norwich Plan for downtown restoration and will highlight the cities of Niagara Falls and Lancaster, N.B. Mr. Patterson will be following up the film by explaining the Main Street Alberta program, which has been established for this purpose.

Messrs. Wright and Hartfield will be giving a presentation on economic development with particular emphasis to Morinville and area.

The meeting is a supper meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Legion Hall and is open to everyone. Anyone who is interested should contact Don Derby at the Royal Bank for tickets. If people do not want to come for supper, they are asked to arrive by 8 p.m. as the speakers will begin then.

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Morinville stays with regional recreation

By Jim McIntyre

Morinville is not going to pull out from regional recreation after all.

At a special meeting of town council held in-camera December 11, council rescinded an earlier motion passed November 19 that it would not renew its agreement with the Sturgeon Regional Recreation Board to be assessed and partake in the regional recreation program.

On December 11 an appointed committee from the regional recreation council met with Morinville town council in an effort to present the facts about the advantages of that town staying in the regional recreation set-up.

Chairman of the appointed committee Clay Crozier said that the regional recreation board had been saddened when it received a letter from town council informing the board that Morinville would opt out of regional recreation next year.

Mayor Art Stapleton had said that the town of Morinville was not against the concept of regional recreation as such, but did want to point out that he was alarmed at some of the actions of the board, its policies, salary negotiations and budgeting.

Concerning the special meeting of council held December 11 Mayor Stapleton said it had been held in-camera because of the nature of the business, the recreation issue being included on the agenda along with other important items about the town's expansion.

Earlier Mayor Stapleton had told the Gazette that the motion which council had passed November 19 to get out of regional recreation could be rescinded and the town "had left the door open."

MORINVILLE GETTING MONEY'S WORTH

When the appointed committee from regional recreation met with town council December 11 they presented:

*Regional recreation programs offered in Morinville in 1974 with the total cost of the courses and the grants for the courses;

*The 1974 budget including salaries for administration, total programs, total revenue and requisitions.

*A report on one specific regional recreation program - swimming, where many of the contributing authorities took part.

The first presentation pointed out that Morinville had received programs with a monetary value of $19,423 subsidized by regional recreation mentioning that $2,946 of that total received under a regional incentive grant would not have been received by Morinville if it had not been in regional recreation.

Total revenue for regional recreation, the majority of which came from grants was $210,000; $156,240 of the total went out on programs while salaries claimed $32,853, and $16,802 was paid out for maintenance and operations. Council expenses took $4,104 of the 1974 budget.

The total requisition for regional recreation among the five contributing authorities of Bon Accord, Gibbons, Morinville, Sturgeon and Legal was $53,000. This brought in $156,240 worth of hard recreation for residents of the Sturgeon region which in some cases they would not otherwise have had.

It was also pointed out to Morinville that they had contributed $5,345 to the total requisition or 10 per cent of the total.

During the meeting one of the members of the appointed committee, Angus McDonnel, told Morinville council, "We are getting our dollars worth or I ain't got my head on me; I am not telling you how to run your council, but if you cannot see the advantages, don't go into (regional recreation)."

Earlier another member of the delegation Alice Wojtkiw briefly showed how a program bringing swimming to the area had benefited 753 students from the five communities who contribute to regional recreation. Total expenses for the program last summer were $8,610 of which the students contributed $7.00 a piece for the service while the bulk of the program was subsidized to the tune of $3,339 by regional recreation.

REGIONAL RECREATION OVERSTAFFED CLAIM

However it was during the debate which followed the presentations that the nature of Morinville's complaints about regional recreation began to surface.

Councillor Vince Curtiss claimed that regional recreation was overstaffed and alleged that staff were playing card games to pass the time when office hours were slack. Mr. Crozier said that many a night the staff were out working and another member of the appointed committee, Jim Kyle, said that sometimes the staff were so busy they could hardly talk to you.

A spokesman for the Central Sturgeon Agricultural Society said that they were afraid they would lose a grant for their multi-purpose building in Morinville if the town withdrew from regional recreation. He also told Morinville council that they would lose their centralization factor if this action were taken. He said that it was the squeaking wheel that got the most grease and claimed that Morinville had not been asking often enough for services from regional recreation.

Mayor Stapleton countered by pointing out that "your (the agricultural society's) grants will come whatever the council decides," and "by being or not being part of regional recreation is not going to take away our centralization."

Earlier in the meeting Mayor Stapleton told the delegation that he had been worried about what he termed the board's unorthodox methods of salary negotiations. He pointed out that rural teachers who "have more responsibility than in the field of recreation" had only received a 15 per cent increase in salary while regional recreation had settled for 22 per cent. "A healthy increase for such a short time," Mayor Stapleton retorted, adding "What will we be looking at in a year from now," and "dollars and cents does come into it."

Mayor Stapleton also emphasized that the regional recreation board had come back with a supplementary requisition after the mill rate had been struck and that this was "no general way of doing business."

Mr. Crozier answered that the equalized assessment had been late in getting out and that this had been the reason for the extra requisition.

He said that the regional recreation board was now suggesting that the past year's equalized assessment be used so that the budget could be placed with Morinville at a reasonable date.

Referring to methods of salary negotiations Mr. Crozier said that the board had not used the Sturgeon wage structure as a guideline but used examples from Parkland and Westlock. He commented that perhaps with all the experience the regional recreation board staff had, "they were well worth their wage."

Mayor Stapleton had more to say on the staffing issue emphasizing that "your staff do not have to be bonded," adding that town or local recreation staff, looking at the kind of salaries regional recreation were getting could turn round and say "I have more responsibility and I am going to ask you for that kind of money."

In answer to a charge from Mayor Stapleton that he failed to find any of the programs self-liquidating, Mr. Kyle said that some courses were self-liquidating, quite often, for example the adult education classes which came from the Further Education grant.

When the presentation from the delegation was over Mayor Stapleton said that the board had really done its homework, but that council would have to hold another meeting to decide whether or not to rescind the November 19 motion to withdraw from regional recreation.

Irene McLean passes

By Liz McLeod

Calahoo and district are mourning the loss of a former fine neighbor, in the person of Mrs. Irene McLean, who died on October 29, 1974, at 67 years at Lillooet, B.C., where she and her husband Norman D. McLean retired in 1970.

Born near Beachville, Ontario, August 5, 1907, Irene came with her parents, first to Vancouver, B.C., and later to Ponoka, Alberta where she spent most of her early life.

She was employed in the Ponoka Post Office in 1931 when she met her husband who was working on the paving of a portion of the Edmonton-Calgary Trail and they were married Feb. 27, 1932, and then lived in Edmonton, Lloydminster, Trinidad and Calgary, according to where his work took them in the gas and oil industry. They moved to Green Willow district of Calahoo in the mid-fifties and returned to the oil industry until 1961, selling the farm in 1965 to live in Edmonton until their retirement.

This gracious lady leaves to mourn her loss her loving husband Norman, one son, Alan and his wife Thelma living in Vancouver, B.C., two daughters, Marilyn and her husband Don Bright residing in Edson, Alberta, and Sheila McLean employed in Regina, Sask., nine grandchildren and one great grandaughter.

Fulfilling Irene's wishes, a private family service was held, followed by cremation.

NOTICE

of Preparation of Assessment Roll 1975

Notice is hereby given that the Assessment Roll of the said municipality, made under the provisions of the Municipal Taxation Act, Chapter 251, has been prepared and will, for the month of January, be open to inspection at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the municipality during business hours, and that any person who desires to object to the entry of his name or that of any other persons upon the said roll, or to the assessed value placed upon any property, must, within the month of January lodge his complaint(s) in writing with the Secretary-Treasurer of the municipality.

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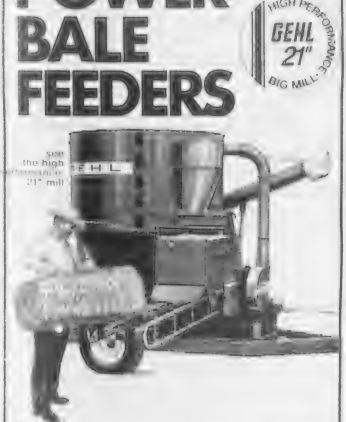

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Board of Directors

Morinville Savings & Credit Union

Maurice Perras & Staff

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The Honourable Ralph G. Steinhauer, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, will hold his New Year Levee on Wednesday, January 1st, 1975.

Again, this year, the Levee will be held in Old Government House, 126 Street and 102 Avenue, adjacent to the Alberta Provincial Museum and Archives.

Officers of the Canadian Forces, RCMP and Edmonton City Police will be received from 1:30 until 2 p.m. Commencing at 2 p.m., the Consular Corps and Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Public who may wish to attend, will be received.

His Honour will be accompanied in the receiving line by the Honourable W. J. Yurko, Minister of the Environment, representing the Premier and the Cabinet of the Government of Alberta.

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MORINVILLE

SEASON'S GREETINGS

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Town of Morinville

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During this holiday season, I wish you God's blessing and a prosperous New Year.

My thanks to you for your friendliness which has made this past year so pleasant for my family and me.

Sincere Good Wishes.

Peter Elzinga, MP.,
Pembina.

Eighty years of bell ringing

On street corners and in Shopping Malls, members of The Salvation Army stand beside their kettles, ringing bells to remind us that now is the time to share with others.

Salvation Army workers first used this unique way of collecting for the needy on San Francisco's waterfront in 1894. The empty soup kettle, the smiling bell ringer, and the sign urging those passing by to "keep the pot boiling" have now become a familiar sight around the world.

Early kettles in Finland shone with flickering candles in the dark streets and in Japan the coins dropped into the kettles brought baskets of rice cakes for children's festive days. The silver and red kettles of Belgium yield up toys for little ones on St. Nicholas Day. In British Guiana and Brazil workers brave the intense heat of the tropic summer to ring their kettle bells.

Into the kettles everywhere today go the gifts of busy Christmas shoppers. By adding the Army kettle to their Christmas lists, many reach a circle far beyond their own families and friends. Their gifts reach the hospital ward, the home for the aged prison cells - the hungry, the homeless, the forgotten. Because of the Army's kettles, those of the wider circle hear once again the Christmas message of good will toward men.

The Edmonton Salvation Army workers look to all of our citizens to help reach an objective of $35,000 this year.

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Men and women behind bars are able to share in the blessings of Christmas through the Salvation Army, whose blue uniforms penetrate prison walls. Those who are parents are enabled to send personal gifts to their children. And experienced Salvation Army officers help them prepare for the day when they will return to their families.

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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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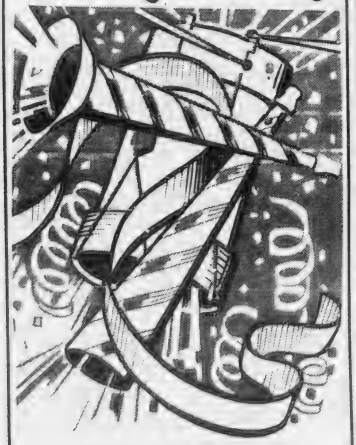

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Warmest wishes for a marvelous holiday.

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Morinville IGA

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AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR
THANKS FOR YOUR PATRONAGE

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Services held for Richard Wills

Funeral services for Mr Richard Wills, who died on Sunday, November 24, were held in St. Emerence Church Riviere Qui Barre on Thursday, November 28.

Born at Erin Prairie, Wisconsin on August 28, 1896, Mr. Wills came to Alberta with his parents, two brothers and two sisters, all of whom have predeceased him.

They lived on a farm north of Riviere Qui Barre until 1944, when they purchased land west of the village where they lived until 1969. Then, due to ill health, they retired to Morinville.

Prayers were said on Wednesday with Fr. John Cunningham officiating.

Fr. Primeau celebrated the Mass of the Resurrection on Thursday, with interment in the church cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers were friends of long standing: Joseph Falls, Mike Fitzgerald, Henry Ogle, Myles Kerr, Homer Devolder and Mose Comeau. Active pallbearers were Jack Kinsella, Charles Wills, John Wills, James Flett, Danny Risbee and Pat Borle.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, six sons and four daughters: Charles, Aberdeen, Scotland; John, Morinville; James, Swan Hills; George, Edmonton; Dennis, Vancouver; Danny at home; Anne, Morinville; Mrs. Jack Kinsella (Sabina) and Mrs. Pat Borle (Edna) of Riviere Qui Barre; Marge, Vancouver and 14 grandchildren.

CHRISTMAS CAN BE LONELIEST DAY OF YEAR

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Warm Wishes

Christmas is a winter wonderland, covered by a blanket of pure white snow. We send you our sentiment during this brisk season through our warmest wishes and a hearty "Thanks."
Merry Christmas.

M.D. of Sturgeon

M.D. COUNCIL, REEVE, SECRETARY & STAFF

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
BEST WISHES FOR A
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Goldenagers hold Christmas party

By Liz McLeod

With all this beautiful weather we are having these days its small wonder that so many turned out for one of the finest ever, parties, held by the Senior Citizens of Calahoo at the Gazebo on December 11. Fifty-three folks enjoyed togetherness and fun.

John Thatcher's oldtime band, consisting of John on violin, John LaFleur on drums and Vic Albrecht also on violin, who are tops in their field, were a thrill to listen to and dance to. Even a square dance, called by Addie Thatcher, was really enjoyed.

The butterfly, heel and toe, polka and waltz's were thoroughly enjoyed also and then Mrs. Fred Labonte and Clara Loyer showed their prowess by doing the red river jig to everyone's delight. After all this good music and dancing everyone joined in forming a circle to play our famous card and game where cards are passed around and when they are called out those people take a gift off the table in centre, and when they are gone you take from one another.

This is when the fun starts, but we made sure that each one was left with one gift.

You know we never really grow old. This was in evidence with all the fun created here this day.

There were candies on every table and a Big Thank You to the Calahoo Sports Association for the treats they provided.

It was much enjoyed by all and you couldn't have made a wiser choice folks. It was everyone's favorite. Thanks again.

After all the fun and merriment the lunch hour was a special treat, for the ladies planned and prepared a hot beef supper with pie for dessert, and believe me, there certainly are fine cooks in this area because everyone praised and enjoyed this meal.

The following members and visitors enjoyed the party: The Glen and Vance Berry's, the C. Bergstreiser's, the T. Callihoo's, the O. Campeau's, the W. Christen's, the Vic Albrecht's, the J. Groppe's, Kerr Bros., the J. Thatcher's, the F. Labonte's, the J. LaFleur's, the C. Seeley's, A. Majeau, M. Flaherty, M. Palmer, M. Brand, B. Berube, T. Engleman, H. Radjo, C. Loyer, L. Majeau, D. Majeau, A. Westerlund, E. Schmermund M. Kolesar, L. Boddez, T. Verbeek, L. McLeod and visitors - Gertie MacDonald. Mina Nord and the F. Lischewski's from Stony Plain, James and Terris Shannon from Alberta Beach, Theresa Kaup from Calahoo and Mrs. Valberg Verstraete from Fort Simpson, N.W.T.

This will be the last meeting of 1974. This group will meet again January 8 at 1:30 p.m., and visitors are always welcome.

Bounced check highlights accounts problem

Following are some of the highlights of the regular meeting of the MD of Sturgeon No. 90, December 12th.

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IT WAS BROUGHT to the attention of council that it was "in the hole" to the tune of $70,000. But with receipts of $100,000 this will mean that the MD is really in the black by $30,000. However the joy was shortlived as it was also brought home to council that the MD has a total of $212,000 to come in from outstanding cheques. Councillor Gib Boddez colored this fact even more by informing council that when one bounced cheque was traced, its writer was not even in the country. Councillor Boddez suggested that the guys who always get there man should get down to the States, get their man, bring him to the border and give him the treatment.

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COUNCIL DEBATED whether Gibbons should do driveway repairs rather than the MD after being informed that school buses were causing holes in the road where children are disembarking to go to the Gibbons school.

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WHEN THE REGIONAL RECREATION Board gave its report to MD council a rather knotty problem surfaced during discussions on the distr''utions of the capital grant to various communities within regional recreation.

Councillor Lawrence Kluthe wanted to know what kind of philosophy had been adopted by the regional recreation board regarding the proportion of donations from town and rural residents for recreation facilities.

"I want to establish a rationale," he said, "and explain the logic of the figures."

"Supposing St. Albert asks Sturgeon for a grant," he continued, "for some facility, should the MD contribute, irrespective of the number of people who use it? - Legal is smaller than St. Albert."

Director for Regional Recreation Laurent Coulombe said earlier that he would be against classifying people on a representative use basis, but Coun. Kluthe insisted that there had to be some answers. The problem was who had first call on using the facilities after the towns, and also that the MD had put money into recreation facilities yet MD residents did not use them.

Councillor Clay Crozier pointed out that there were agricultural grants for bringing towns and rural communities together "and there will be hell to pay from the Alberta Government if any town went against this."

The discussion ended with Reeve of the MD Bill Flynn tabling a motion on regional recreation until the MD had figures on municipal participation.

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THE MASTER PLAN for the Cardiff Park has been approved, council was informed by Mr. Coulombe.

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COUNCIL RECOMMENDED that the Sturgeon Regional Recreation budget be established on the 1974 equalized assessment figures

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COUNCIL LEARNED that a ditch two and a half miles north of Legal which is used for draining off the lagoon in the spring and fall of each year is now in satisfactory condition. Council feared that there might be drainage problems by the spring run-off as effluent from the lagoon had been running for a week and had begun to freeze at varying levels.

Development can go ahead

Morinville gave the go ahead for 89 lots to be developed in the town's southeast sector December 11 provided that one important condition is met.

Town council told developer Cliff Small of Trader's Business Financial Services he would have to make sure that the site was fully accessible once building was completed and occupants were ready to move in.

Construction on the 89 lots is slated for January and February with occupancy in April and surface improvements scheduled for May 1st.

At present contractors for the development can use a dirt road for site access. Mr. Small said that he fully understood the concern of town council but added that he was under contract to see that customers were happy" with the road being finished to coincide with occupancy."

Mayor Art Stapleton pointed out that "We'd sure hate to see what happened in Millwood and St. Albert happen here." He was referring to difficulties experienced by people moving into homes where access roads had not been properly completed to coincide with occupancy..

Council carried the motion to allow the developer to take out permits but with the proviso that the onus would be on the builder to make sure that the site was accessible when residents were moving in.

More building assessors for Morinville?

Morinville may have to get more building assessors.

At its regular council meeting December 11, the town learned that it will have to have its present building bylaw re-drafted into a dual building bylaw to bring it in line with new provincial government legislation.

This will mean that the town will be faced with the problem of having to get more building assessors since the new legislation is mandatory.

"Up goes the mill rate again," said Mayor Art Stapleton, commenting on the change, "just to check buildings."

Planner with the Edmonton Regional Planning Commission Don De Grandis told the mayor that the revenue from building permits under the new legislation could off-set the costs of the assessors.

With extra assessors costing the town up to $20,000 apiece it was pointed out by one member of Morinville council that even St. Albert might find it hard to afford such an increase in costs "and it's a major growth centre."

As far as the town's present building bylaw stands there are no major hassles about changing it; it will simply have to be reviewed to bring in line with the new developments.

Mr. De Grandis said that ERPC would draft a copy of the new dual building bylaw for the town of Morinville fitting it in with the town's outline plans.

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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF STURGEON NO. 90
ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR 1975

Notice is hereby given that the Assessment Roll of the said municipality, made under the provisions of the Municipal Taxation Act, Chapter 251, has been prepared and will, for the month of January, be open to inspection at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the municipality during business hours, and that any person who desires to object to the entry of his name or that of any other persons upon the said roll, or to the assessed value placed upon any property, must, within the month of January lodge his complaint(s) in writing with the Secretary-Treasurer of the municipality.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1974.

Alphonse Nobert,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Municipal District of Sturgeon No. 90,
Morinville, Alberta.

Report From Bon Accord

By Sadie Allen

Church services for the Christmas season for the various denominations of Bon Accord and district are as follows:

Roman Catholic - Sacred Heart at Gibbons, a Penitential service Wednesday, Dec. 18 at 7:30; Midnight Mass on Christmas Even.

Ukrainian Greek Orthodox - Fedorah, the Christmas service will be held on Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. sharp with Rev. H. Fil.

Ukrainian Catholic Parish of Fedorah, Waugh and Redwater - Services will be held at Redwater at 11:30 Christmas Eve and 10 a.m. Christmas Day; at Fedorah Ukrainian Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Dec. 26 and at Redwater on Dec. 27 at 9 a.m.

The **Bon Accord United Church** will hold their Christmas Service on Sunday, Dec. 22 at the regular time of 9 a.m.

Holy Trinity Anglican Church will hold a Carol Service on Dec. 22 at 7:30 p.m. and celebration of Holy Eucharist at 11:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. The service at the Anglican Church will be held at 7:30 p.m., on Dec. 29 also and will feature an open discussion period. A special invitation is extended to the young people of the parish to attend. Rev. R. Conrad will conduct the service and coffee will be served.

Get well greetings are extended to Myron Ruth in the Sturgeon General.

The Brownies held a very successful toy sale on Dec. 9 and wish to thank members of the community for their patronage and the many donations to the sale. The money raised is being used for club supplies and activities. Door prizes were won by Lianna Kulay, Tracy Spencer, Dineane Davis, Kelly Hetman, Wayne Schwanke and Jamie Meyer. The Guides worked on Christmas handicrafts and enjoyed the second part of their Christmas party which was cut short due to the power failure on Sunday.

Please note -- the next Local Association (Brownies and Guides) will be held in the clubroom on Jan. 6, 1975, and will have a panel made up of the Division Commissioner, District Commissioner leaders and the L.A. executive. Anyone having questions is asked to telephone them in prior to the meeting to the leaders or executive. This will be your chance to get any misinterpretations or doubts cleared away. It is hoped that the discussion period held will be very informative.

The regular Sunday night bingoes will recess for the festive season but will resume on Sunday, Jan. 12 at 7:30 with the jackpot at $325. in 55 numbers. There will be NO bingo on Dec. 22. The consolation game was won by Diane Cooper and Maureen New and Gordon Green shared the bonanza. The Bon Accord Lions extend season's greetings to all their faithful bingo fans and hope you all will be back on January 12.

The Bon Accord Ladies Community Club held their December meeting at the home of Edith Kowalski with a good turnout of members and two visitors present. Election of officers for the forthcoming season was held with the following elected to office: Pres. Rose Ruth; V.P. Linda Johnson; sec. Gail Sinclair; treas.. Jean Sloan; ticket sales Doreen Hewitt; phoning committee Thalia Critchley and Rita Milligan; food comm. Doreen Chopp (convener); Frances K. Ketler, Pat Reynolds, Sarah Mulligan, Jean Sloan and Gail Sinclair; decorating committee Rita Milligan, Carol Rivet and Lynda Ross; advertising Pauline Mansfield and Linda Fearnley. The club voted another $1,000 to the Community Centre, making a grand total of $3,200 for the year. The January meeting will be held at Thalia Critchley's on the 8th. Membership for the coming year may be paid at this meeting.

An interesting series of craft classes is planned for the New Year. Starting on Jan. 8 a four week course in flower craft with Mrs. L. Coleman, and a basic stretch and sew with Cathie Emery (limited to 15 - if more are interested another class may be set up). On Feb. 5, a six week course in oriental cooking with Delia Yuen-Jung and a course in jewellery making with Pat Reichle; on Jan. 8, gymnastics for 8 and under with Sandy McDougall Registrations for any of the classes may be made with June Serediak, 921-3589 or Pauline Mansfield 921-3625.

The annual meeting for the Bon Accord and District Agricultural Society will be held on January 13, 1975 at 8 p.m. in the Community Centre. A membership drive is now underway. Date for the Auction Sale has been set for April 20, 1975. Market Days are planned for the coming year. Remember to order your seeds for an extra row in your garden either as pin money for yourself or as your donation to the community.

Gordie and Donna Gorringe wish to extend their thanks to the teen club and Mr. Dave Latta for their fine co-operation in making the Children's Christmas party a great success.

A belated thank you to the Lions Club for their donation of the turkey for the Senior Citizens party.

The next issue of the Gazette will come out on Jan 8. News of holiday activities and visitors will be welcome anytime up to Jan. 5th.

SANTA COMES TO BON ACCORD

Santa was greeted by an estimated 200 children on December 15 in Roseglen Park. A large tree was erected and decorated for the occasion. Santa Claus handed out candy canes and oranges and talked to all the children. After he departed, five films were shown in the Community Centre where everyone was welcome. The original idea and the plans for the party came from Mr. and Mrs. Gordie Gorringe and were carried out very successfully with the help and support of the Bon Accord Teen Club and Mr. Dave Latta, president of the Lions Club. Many thanks to all who bought tickets on the 8-track car stereo raffle - proceeds from which financed the party. Mrs. John Chopp held the lucky ticket. It was hoped everyone had a good time and a Merry Christmas to all from the Bon Accord Teens.

Important announcement to AGT customers in:

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NOTICE

OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL
1975

VILLAGE OF BON ACCORD

PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

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Dated this 18th day of December, 1974.

JEAN CHUBB,
Municipal Secretary or City Assessor

Ramstad - Draper Wedding

MR. & MRS. TIMOTHY RAMSTAD
Photo by Jim George

By Sadie Allen

A beautiful fall wedding was held at the Evangelical Free Church in Edmonton on November 23 when Sharon Lynn Draper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Draper and Timothy Calvin Ramstad son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Ramstad, all of Bon Accord exchanged marriage vows. Carnations and mums decorated the altar for the ceremony performed by Pastor Martins. Miss Lorraine Ramstad, sister of the groom, recited the Love chapter from the Bible, 1 Corinthians, chapt. 13, during the ceremony.

Sharon was radiant in a long white gown accented with bell shaped sleeves and a long train finished with a double row of ruffles and carried a cascade of red roses. Maid of honour, twin sister Karen, wore a long coral gown with a coral carnation in her hair. Bridesmaids, Miss June Fraser, Wendy Draper, cousin of the bride, and Miss Shelly Brown, wore blue gowns identical to Karen's with blue carnations in their hair. All carried matching bouquets of carnations.

The groom wore a baby-blue tuxedo accented with a blue frilly, a black bow tie and wore a boutonniere of carnations and red rosebuds. He was attended by best man, Pete Chubb, who wore a grey tuxedo accented with a black frilly and black bow tie and a coral carnation for a boutonniere. Other attendants were Larry Draper, brother of the bride, Terry Whittaker and Al Montpeller. They wore grey tuxedos accented with blue carnations to match the bridesmaids' gowns.

Chad and Chuck Critchley very good friends of the bride and groom, were ringbearers and wore double-breasted navy blazers with grey flannel trousers and matching bow ties. Dean Draper, brother of the bride and Bob and Dave Stainhope, the groom's cousins, were ushers.

The bride's mother wore a true-blue pleated gown, the groom's a blue floral gown with blue overlay. Both wore yellow rosebud corsages. Following the ceremony, the wedding party gathered at the home of Mr. Jim George for photos. The reception was held in the Bon Accord Community Centre with catering by the Bon Accord Ladies Community Club. Pastor Martin offered grace. Keith Everitt, a very congenial MC, introduced the head table and special guests. Toast to the bride was given by the bride's uncle, Gordon Davidson, who also read a poem written by Sharon to her parents. A reply of thanks was given by Tim. Toast to the groom was made by Don Bland. Short addresses were made by Jim Draper and Al Ramstand. Peter Chubb proposed a toast to the lovely bridesmaids which was answered with a toast to the handsome best men by Karen Draper.

The wedding dance which followed was enjoyed by all. Music was by Harry Rusk's band. Miss Linda Ramstad, the groom's younger sister, was in charge of the guest book. The opening of the gifts was held the following day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don McKay.

Attention Calahoo & district

By Liz McLeod

Are you interested in forming a First Calahoo Cub Pack?

Mr. Leif Jorgensen of Calahoo has a cub attending an Onoway Cub Pack and would like to have a Pack going in Calahoo, since there are ample youngsters living here.

Now if the parents are interested at all would they please attend the meeting called for Monday, January 6, 1975 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Gazebo and bring their children, because 7 to 11 year olds are eligible.

The Calahoo Sports Association are sponsoring this venture.

Do remember the time and place and make this another first for Calahoo.

Calahoo Ag Society chooses name

By Liz McLeod

The West Sturgeon Agricultural Society are holding regular weekly meetings and report work is progressing favorably now.

Presently attention is on the floor of the arena which needed a lot of attention before the ice surface can become a reality. The building has been insured.

After all the entries came in for suggestions for a name to this great structure, it was decided to use the name --

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The Indian word means "House of Sport."

Miss Yvette Nault of Calahoo gets the credit, coming up with the title, selected by the Ag Society.

The Society has planned a children's Christmas party for December 14, from 2 to 4 p.m. and since the busy hamlet now also has a teen group formed, with the Ag. Society's backing, a teen dance was held Saturday evening, December 14.

Mrs. Sharon Nault's sewing class will not meet till January 8, 1975 owing to the holiday rush. Sharon asks that all projects be completed by this date.

And may I extend our heartiest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year to each and everyone of you everywhere. May Heaven's Richest Blessings be yours today and always.

Village of Gibbons

Anyone interested in applying for a Building Inspector for the Village of Gibbons, please forward your resume stating your qualifications to: **VILLAGE OF GIBBONS, BOX 68, GIBBONS, ALBERTA.**

NAMAO NEWS

By Norma Crozier

Namao holiday activities include the following: A skating party on Friday, December 20 from 7 to 10:30 p.m. at the Namao community skating rink.

The Namao School and Community League New Year's Eve Frolic at the Hub will have refreshments from 9 - 1 a.m., with dancing from 9:30 - 1:30 a.m., to the music of the Playmates. A supper will be served at midnight and tickets are $8 per person. Tickets are still available from Vera Huber (799-3849) or Clay Crozier (799-3248).

Johnny's Store, Howard Samis or T. D. Storage.

Action in the Sturgeon Valley Senior Hockey League has Namao at Gibbons at 8 p.m. on December 20, and on December 29 Namao team plays Calahoo at Gibbons Arena.

The next issue of the Gazette will be January 8 and news of holiday events and visitors is welcome. [799-3438].

Get well wishes to Harvey Ash who is a patient in Royal Alexandra Hospital.

Sympathy of the district to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cameron in the loss of Don's mother, Mrs. Christie Cameron.

Sympathy is also extended to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gibson and family in the passing of his brother Clarence Gibson last week.

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TICKET SALES FEB. 14/74	$111.00
LEGION LADIES	$50.30
SNOWBALL QUEEN TICKET SALES	$794.55
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Christmas message from Mayor Snip Loblick

To all residents of Gibbons the Village councillors and myself extend our sincere and warm good wishes for a Merry Christmas and happiness with good fortune in the New Year.

Prospects are bright for the further development of our community in 1975, and it will take the co-operation of all to ensure that we grow in a manner beneficial to everyone in the village.

I am confident that our problems can be overcome and that continued progress is assured.

May the Peace and Joy of the Holy Season reach into all your homes.

Merry Christmas

Christmas Greetings and Good Wishes for the New Year from Mayor Archie Jenkins and members of the Village Council. We wish a happy holiday season with family and friends for all residents of the Gibbons community.

The Mayor and Council
Village of Gibbons.

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*does the toy have any sharp points?

*does it have rough edges or unfinished surfaces?

*does it have glass or plastic parts that can be easily broken?

*does it have any small parts that a child might break off and swallow?

*is the construction of top quality?

*are dangerous spikes or pins used to attach eyes, ears, etc., to a stuffed toy?

*does the toy have any springs or motors that could catch a child's hair or fingers?

*if the toy is electric, does it bear a label certifying safety?

*does the toy contain any dangerous toxic substances?

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Edmonton Opera to stage Sadlers Wells version of "The Merry Widow."

In a departure from its usual format of presenting only **Grand Opera**, the Edmonton Opera Association will stage **Franz Lehar's** perennial favorite **"The Merry Widow"** on Jan. 16, 18 and 20, 1975.

The operetta, in three acts, will be sung in English and will contain considerable spoken dialogue. The translation will be that of Christopher Hassall, as used at Sadlers Wells in London, England. The operetta will be an "uncut" version, something not seen heretofore in Canada.

A stellar array of singers, designers and choreographer have been assembled to make this production of The Merry Widow the finest ever seen in Canada, if not one of the best on this continent.

Singing the lead role will be Canadian Heather Thomson, who scored an outstanding success in Toronto in September in "Faust." Miss Thomson, now at the peak of her vocal abilities, was seen here previously in Faust (1967), Madama Butterfly (1971), La Traviata (1968) and Marriage of Figaro in 1972.

The role of the dashing Count Danilo is to be sung by the new young American baritone Alan Titus. Mr. Titus came to prominence 1½ years ago when he portrayed Nero in the Coronation of Poppea in both New York and Washington.

Canadians Judith Forst, Claude Corbeil and Alan Crofoot will essay the roles of Valencienne, Baron Zeta and Raoul St. Brioche, while the U.S. tenor John Walker will sing the part of Camille.

Other Canadians in the cast are Allen Stewart-Coates as Njegus and locals Lary Benson, Merla Aikman, Ron Nelsen, Peter Benecke, Luci Baril, and Carmen Bourret.

Celia Franca of the National Ballet of Canada will come to Edmonton to do the choreography of the famous Can-Can, and the scintillating Merry Widow Waltz.

The sets, designed by Murray Laufer are from the Canadian Opera Company in Toronto. Costumes are those designed by Suzanne Mess for the Santa Fe production in 1973.

The Edmonton Symphony Orchestra will be under the baton of Pierre Hetu, staging will be by Irving Guttman.

Tickets will go on sale December 16 at all Woodward Stores.

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Legal Locals

By Lucienne Montpetit

Amities et meilleurs voeux pour un Joyeux Noel et une Heureuse Annee. May peace joy, and happiness be yours at this Christmas Season and throughout the year.

Rita Krauskopf exchanged marriage vows with Allan Shaw at St. Anthony's R.C. Church on Dec. 6. Rita is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. (Red) Krauskopf and Allan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shaw from Rimbey. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple.

Just a reminder that the Legal phone number will change on December 21 from 598 to 961 and the last digits will remain the same.

Tune in to CFCW on December 24, they will be saluting our community.

When Santa Claus was at the Co-op last Saturday taking all the children's request for Christmas, some little kiddie left with Santa's bells. Santa Claus (Mr. Paul Montpetit) would appreciate it if it would be returned to him or at the Co-op. Having that bell for many many years it has a certain sentimental value for Mr. Montpetit.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rivard upon the arrival of their first child, a son Roland Patrick born on Dec. 7, weighing 9 lbs. 12½ oz. The proud godparents are Patrick and Lorraine Keane.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hudec are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a baby girl Diana, born on December 10, weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz. A sister for Andrew Jr. and Roxanne.

Residents of the Chateau Sturgeon were entertained by a delightful party given by Les Femmes Chretiennes last Sunday afternoon. They presented a short program including sing songs and Christmas carols. Then Santa Claus appeared and he had brought gifts for every "good resident." Mrs. Lea Pelletier the matron, thanked the ladies for organizing this funfilled afternoon for the Senior Citizens and also those who participated in the program.

Following this the group moved to the O'Meara Lodge to try and spread some Christmas spirit their also. Santa also came along and passed oranges to all the patients and everyone had a grand time.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the staff at the Gazette best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Walter Van de Walle boarded a plane for Winnipeg on Sunday, Dec. 15 to attend a directors meeting for the U.G.G. He will return on Dec. 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurier Brisson from Prince George are visiting with their many friends and relatives.

Announcing

PHONE NUMBER CHANGES

in

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Starting Saturday, December 21

AFTER December 21, when you call telephone numbers in these centres, please remember that the local phone numbers have changed. Correct telephone numbers are listed in the Northern District directory.

For handy reference, jot down, circle or underline frequently called numbers.

AGT

Sturgeon Valley 4H Dairy Club

By Valerie Montpellier

The first meeting of the year was held in the new Gibbons arena. The new executive for the year was elected as follows: President Allen Briggs; vice-pres. Pat Briggs; sec. Betty Kushak; treas. Peter Mickelson; reporter, Valerie Montpellier. Presidents on council: Allen Briggs, David Quewk; junior leaders: Allen Briggs, Maryanne Mickelson, David Quewk; librarian, David Quewk; leader, Melvin Clark; assistant leaders: Earl Briggs, Richard Radke, Melvyn Kushak, Morris Montpellier, Elmer Quewk.

The second meeting was held at the E. Briggs residence with 17 members present. We discussed when we were going to have our Christmas party. Dec. 3 was the date set at the Melvin Kushak residence. All members names were put into a hat and each member drew a name and is to buy a small gift for him or her.

The third meeting of the year was held at the home of Betty Kushak with all members and their families present for our Christmas party which included a beautiful meal put on by the members mothers. Thank you mothers for the meal. Betty Kushak read the minutes of the last meeting from the old Business we decided not to by previously proposed jackets as they are too costly. Also a discussion on clipboards for each member. Valerie Montpellier moved public speaking be at Kreways. Rodger Briggs seconded the motion. Mr. Quewk was asked to see about judges. Betty Kushak read a report of items left at Camp He Ho Ha and of proposals for new campaign the coming year with hopes of attendance from young members 10 - 14 years. Our treasurer reported that we have a bank account of $128. David Quewk moved we pick our calves immediately, Peter Mickelson seconded. Cameron Quewk moved that we start our record books on Nov. 1. Lance Briggs seconder.

Our next event is a judging competition at the Clark farm on Dec. 28 at 1 p.m. Then our next meeting Jan. 7, 1975 at the Quewk residence with demonstrations at the top of the list of events.

Anyone wishing to join the Dairy Club may get in touch with Mr. Melvin Clark at Namao, ph. 799-3890.

Westlock Farmers 'spiel

The Westlock and District Chamber of Commerce is again sponsoring the annual Farmers Bonspiel in Westlock, January 9 - 12, 1975. The prize list has been increased this year to over $1,000 in merchandise and trophies. The bonspiel will be held in the new six sheet rink which has a heated playing area.

There will be four events with four sets of prizes in each event. An added new feature is entertainment Saturday night. The entry fee of $28 per rink includes the banquet. Entries can be placed with Drayden Insurance at 342-3233 in Westlock. The first 48 rinks will be accepted. Entries close January 4th.

In past years this has proven to be a popular and enjoyable event.

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Best Wishes for Christmas

By Mayor Joseph Nault of Legal

On behalf of the Council of the Village of Legal, I would like to convey warmest wishes to all the residents of the community for a "Happy Holiday Season."

As Christmas dawns, may its good cheer warm every home, light every heart and brighten every life.

Let us give thanks for past blessings and then let us look forward to the New Year with its new challenges and promises.

May all of you have a wonderful Christmas with your family and friends and may 1975 shower you with good health, happiness and prosperity.

A tous les citoyens de Legal, "Un Joyeux Noel et une Bonne et Heureuse Annee."

Here's help for house plants

With the increasing popularity of a wide range of flowering and foliage plants as Christmas gifts, here are some suggestions to help make the most of these seasonal delights - and keep the good things growing!

Temperature: Any flowering plant will stay beautiful longer if it can be kept relatively cool. Turning down the thermostat at night has a highly beneficial effect on both heating bills and house plants.

Light: Most flowering plants need lots of light to bloom. Leaf plants need light too - but they prefer the diffused light that filters through sheers or other lightweight drapes. For those plants that require direct sun, South windows are best. Supplementary light from ordinary or fluorescent lamps can work wonders where light from windows isn't enough.

Water: Incorrect watering is probably responsible for more house plant problems than any other factor. Too much water can drown a house plant. The roots can't breathe in soggy soil - so water only when a plant needs it - that is when the soil ½ an inch down in the pot is dry. Use warm water - or water that has been standing in a pail or watering can long enough to come to room temperature. If your regular tap water goes through a water softener, don't use it on your plants.

Feeding: Plants don't eat - they drink - so liquid fertilizers that dissolve easily and quickly in water are preferred. Recent experience has also indicated that frequest applications of a fairly dilute (low analysis) fertilizer is more beneficial to house plants than occasional applications of more concentrated plant foods.

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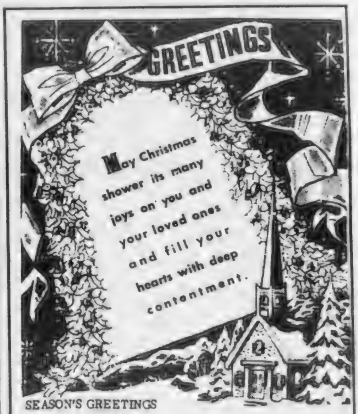

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GREETINGS FROM THE

VILLAGE OF LEGAL

Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year

MEILLEURS SOUHAITS AT TOUS NOS CONTRIBUABLES

Mayor, Village Council & Staff

White Owl announces conservation awards

The Canadian Environmental Law Research Foundation of Toronto is the winner of this year's $10,000 White Owl Conservation Award. **Jack O'Dette** of Kingston, Ontario, took the $2,000 Award in the "individual" category.

The Awards are offered each year for the group and the individual deemed to have made the most outstanding contributions to the environment in Canada. Winners are selected by an independent Awards Committee from among nominations submitted from across the country.

Federal Environment Minister Jeanne Sauve presented the cheques along with whalebone carvings of the Snowy Owl to the winners during a brief ceremony in Montreal today.

In her speech, the Honorable Jeanne Sauve outlined some of the achievements that have earned the Canadian Environmental Law Research Foundation its Award First among these is the group's book Environment on Trial.

Using Ontario law as an example, the book gives the citizen an insight into his environmental rights and how he can assert them, legally and politically. The editors, David Estrin and John Swaigen, also outline the legal reforms necessary to protect our natural resources, and propose a model Canadian Environmental Bill of Rights.

While Environment on Trial was written for the layman, law journals have recommended the book to their readers with a professional interest in environmental law. Over 3,500 copies have been sold, and the book has been in use in law faculties in various parts of the country.

CELRF is a coalition of lawyers, law professors, scientists, conservationists, politicians and housewives, and it uses legal tools to prevent and control environmental damage.

Over 1000 citizens have been helped by its Citizen's Environmental Law Advisory Office and Complaint Service Briefs written for public or government information point out the inadequacies of existing or proposed legislation, and the environmental implications of certain public or private projects.

Last minute Gift Suggestions

For children under one year of age, choose toys that are durable, washable, smooth, nontoxic, and unbreakable. Vivid mobiles, toys that make noise, and solidly constructed animals or dolls are good for infants.

For children one to two years of age, choose toys suitable for the child's motor skills. Building blocks, push and pull toys, chunky crayons and heavy paper.

For children two to three years of age, choose sturdy rocking horses or small go carts, tricycles or wagons. If the child is closer to three he'll like creating with modelling clay or finger paints, rubber toys for the bathtub will make a big hit.

Children from three to four years of age like to imitate parents and older brothers and sisters. You can abet the make-believe by giving these youngsters dolls, tea sets, small brooms, shovels, carpet sweepers, or trucks. Crayons and coloring books are also welcome.

For children four to six years of age, choose a blackboard with chalk, a small table and chair, a beginning paint set and easel, colored construction paper and a pair of blunt scissors, puppets, or even a uniform to dress up in.

For children six to eight years of age, choose indoor or outdoor sporting equipment, a sturdy saucer or sled for snowy slopes, ice skates, roller skates, or junior size skis. For indoor fun, you might give large-scale puzzles, easy to understand games, checkers, or juvenile handyman kits.

For children over eight years of age, discover the specific interests before you shop for a gift. A stamp collecting kit, a tool chest, an electric train or road race set are all good suggestions.

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The site of Fort Alexander, one of the earliest trading posts in the Northwest Territories, was excavated this summer by the territorial government. The fort was built in 1817 by the Northwest Trading Company then shut down in 1821 when the company merged with the Hudson Bay Company. The site was rediscovered in 1967 and has yielded a good number of both white and native artifacts.

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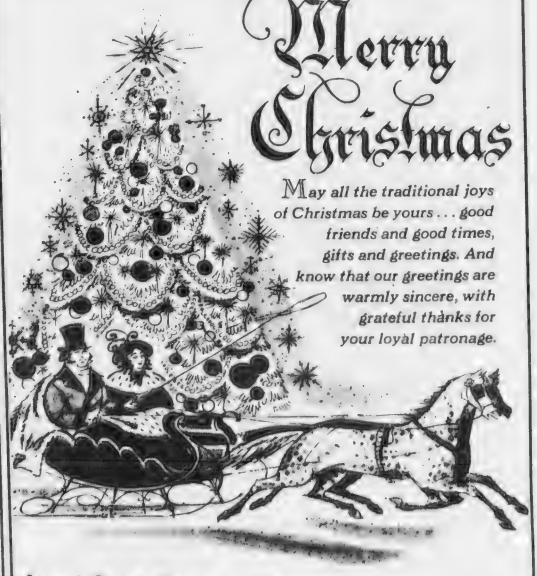

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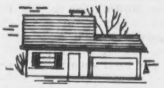

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FOUND

Found two books of Comet Hockey Tickets. Owner identify and pay ad. **Ph. 459-3639** 5286/51c

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Readers are reminded that this issue is the last edition of the Gazette which taxpayers in the Municipal District of Sturgeon will receive under contract arrangements.

The Gazette requested and the MD Council agreed that the newspaper stand on its own feet, and that the MD Sturgeon contract should be terminated at December 31st.

Those subscribers who wish to continue getting the Gazette will find in this issue an advertisement with a coupon that may be filled in and mailed to the Gazette. Or you may call at the Gazette office on Perron Street in St. Albert.

Please note that the special three-year subscription will be in effect until January 31st. Rates are $5 per year or $10 for three years.

A Gazette reporter will continue to cover MD meetings in person, as well as other important events and functions held throughout the MD Sturgeon, and Gazette correspondents will continue to report news from each area.

Carrier delivery will continue in the Town of Morinville and the rate is 10¢ a week, payable to the carrier from January 8th issue on.

Contract arrangements continue with the Villages of Legal, Gibbons and Bon Accord.

May we take this opportunity to wish all our readers a Joyous Christmas with those dear to them and happiness and health in the New Year.

Christmas lights given the green light

Federal Energy Minister Donald Macdonald has given the go-ahead for traditional Christmas lighting this season.

In response to a brief from the Christmas Decoration Division of the Canadian Toy Manufacturers Association, Mr. Macdonald confirmed that:

"there is no reason to single out Christmas lights as a special target for energy conservation efforts during the coming heating season."

Mr. Macdonald said that the program of Christmas lighting on Parliament Hill will be undertaken this year.

The industry brief pointed out that Christmas lighting received unfair public attention last fall as a largely symbolic vehicle for introducing energy conservation awareness and that no other industry was singled out in such a way.

In recognition of the need for responsible use of all energy resources, the industry supports Mr. Macdonald's suggestion that Christmas lights be turned on after 6 p.m. and turned off upon retiring.

During the 1973 coverage of Christmas lights, there was little reference to certain facts, which help out matters in the proper perspective.

*15 outdoor Christmas lights consume less energy than two 75-watt household bulbs.

*15 outdoor Christmas lights illuminated six hours a day for 15 days use one-twentieth of the energy needed to cook a 20 pound Christmas turkey for six hours in a self-cleaning oven at 350 degrees.

*15 outdoor Christmas lights, illuminated for six hours a day use less than one-half of the energy consumed by a colour television during the same period.

*A 15-bulb string of Christmas lights illuminated six hours a day for 15 days, consume one-quarter of the energy used by a 14-pound clothes dryer in one hour.

*Hydro Quebec's water turbines furnish 99.6% of Quebec's total electrical energy needs. Hydro electric energy is a constantly-renewable resource.

*None of Ontario's dependable capacity of 14.4 million kilowatts is produced through the use of oil, while less than 0.06% of the electrical energy generated in Ontario is used for Christmas lighting.

Season's Best

We're hoping all good things will come your way for a happy holiday. Thank you for your loyal patronage.

Central Sturgeon Agricultural Society

Christmas Activities Planned for Provincial Museum

A full calendar of Christmas and New Year's activities are scheduled for holiday season enjoyment at the Provincial Museum of Alberta.

A program of **Christmas Films** will be presented on Saturday, December 21, including "Christmas at Moose Factory," "Great Toy Robbery," "Santa Claus Suit," and "Christmas Cracker."

On December 22, a **Cultural Heritage Performance** will be presented in the auditorium at 2 featuring the Trinity Lutheran Church Band. A **festival** of carols will be featured in the Orientation Gallery beginning at 2:30.

The **Museum Bookstore** will be open on Tuesday, December 24, for last minute shopping and the Museum will be closed all Christmas Day. However, on Friday, December 27, there will be more Christmas Films including, "Pluto's Christmas Tree," and "How the Animals Discovered Christmas.'

On New Year's Day the Galleries and the Bookstore will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Feature Exhibitions scheduled for the holiday season include "Arms and Armour: The Age of Chivalry" in the lower Indian Gallery beginning December 20, "One Hundred Years of Oceanography" in Feature Gallery #1 and #2, "Christmas Mementos from Overseas" in the Auditorium Foyer with items from many lands, "Treasures of the Orient" in the Museum Foyer, and Homesteading in Alberta" in the Archives Display Cases with actual photos and posters used to attract settlers to the prairies.

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We join with the Alberta Check Stop program in reminding all that safe driving means a happy holiday.

Village of Gibbons

Mayor Dermont Loblick and Council